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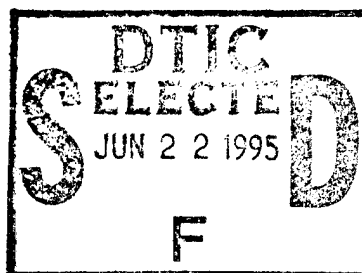


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13. ABSTRACT (Maximum 200 words) Sea surface height anomalies measured by inverted echo sounders with pressure gauges (IES/PGs) were made in the vicinity of the Kuroshio Extension, near 35° N, 143° E, as part of the Kuroshio Extension Regional Experiment (KERE). These instruments provide information concerning the height of the sea surface as well as information concerning movement of mesoscale features in the KERE area. The moorings were deployed from July 1992 through June 1994. This report describes the IES/PG data and supporting ship XBT measurements.				
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Introduction

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Rossby (1977).

The IES is moored with an expendable anchor which is jetisoned by an acoustically operated release mechanism. In principle, IES deployment and recovery procedures are similar to those used for current-meter moorings. The latter, however, are usually much larger than an IES and thus fewer current-meter mooring deployments (e.g. 1 - 5) than IES deployment are feasible for a given cruise. Consequently, many IESs can be deployed or recovered on a single cruise (up to about 25) since deployment requires only about one hour and recovery about three hours. Deployment and recovery procedures are discussed by Teague and Hallock (1987). The analysis and interpretation of IES observations are discussed elsewhere (Hallock, 1987; Teague and Hallock, 1990; Hallock et al., 1989; 1991; 1993).

Instrument Description

The Sea Data Corporation (SDC) Model 1665 IES weighs about 150 lb in air; the anchor adds about 100 lb. The IES electronics package is housed in a 17" diameter glass sphere near the top of the fiberglass shroud. Additional flotation (a 13" sphere) is located in the lower part. The anchor line (1/4" nylon braid) is shackled to several links of stainless steel chain which is, in turn, secured to a hinged pin in an assembly, known as a "release block", on the bottom of the shroud. There are electrical connections through the large sphere to the release block and to the transducer, located on the top of the shroud. When deployed the IES floats about 1 m above the bottom with its transducer pointed upward. Tethered to the protective bale around the transducer, a 10" glass sphere floats about 10 m above the IES. The 10" sphere contains a radio beacon and strobe which are activated whenever the sphere is rotated from its deployed position. During normal operation, the IES/PG samples pressure, temperature, ambient noise and a burst of up to 24 travel times over a period of several minutes during each sampling interval (e.g. 1 hour).

The Model 1665 IES uses the Paroscientific 10000 psi DIGIQUARTZ quartz pressure sensor for extreme pressure accuracy and resolution. The pressure channel measures with a resolution of about 1:1,000,000 (0.01 psi or about 0.6 mb). Ambient noise is measured through a single WOTAN (Weather Observation Through Ambient Noise) channel at 10 kHz. Temperature is measured with a 0.1 °C interchangeable thermistor which has an overall accuracy of 0.15 °C and a resolution of about 0.0007 °C.

IES Data Processing

IES data are internally recorded on cassette tapes. These tapes are normally removed from the instrument at sea. At NRL, data are transferred in hexadecimal format from the tapes to disk files on a Sun Work Station in conjunction with a SDC Asynchronous Reader Interface (ARI) connected to a SDC Model 12B Reader. Engineering data, recorded every four hours, are then separated from the IES data record. Engineering data include system voltages, currents, and other information useful for tracking the performance of the IES. The ASCII encoded hexadecimal data are decoded and stored in unedited disk files. Each sample in the raw, unedited file consists of 28 variables: time, pressure, temperature, ambient noise, and 24 travel times. Appropriate calibrations are applied and the results written to another file consisting of five variables for each sample: time, pressure, temperature, ambient noise, and a single travel time. The single travel times were computed using the mode of the Rayleigh distribution (Watts and Rossby, 1977).

Calibration and utility of the ambient noise measurements are uncertain at this time. No further reference is made to the ambient noise measurements in this report.

Pressure and temperature data were relatively clean and were despiked using a first difference test. Seven primary tidal constituents (O1, K1, Q1, P1, M2, K2, N2, and S2) were then subtracted from the pressure series. Resulting detided pressure data were then plotted and any remaining pressure spikes were manually removed from the original pressure series. Amplitudes and phases of each tidal constituent provided a cross check on the absolute time attached to each record. To determine the long term sensor drift, an exponential function was fitted to the low-pass filtered pressure series. The resulting exponential trend was subtracted from the unfiltered series.

Some specific problems with the IES/PG data are now described. Long term pressure trends appear to remain in some of the pressure records in addition to pressure sensor adjustment problems near the beginning of the pressure records. Temperatures were noisy for IES2 (1992–1993) and also required a $+4.8^\circ$ offset. No pressures and temperatures were recorded for IES8 (1992–1993) and IES4 (1993–1994). However, this problem was isolated to one instrument (serial no. 017) which was deployed at site 8 in 1992 and then redeployed at site 4 in 1993. In addition, clock problems resulted in a 5 day gap in the data between day 221 and 226 at IES7 (1992–1993).

Tables provided in this report include IES deployment summaries (Table 1), IES statistics (Table 2), and XBT positions (Tables 3 and 4). A picture of an IES appears after the tables, followed by location plots for the data, and then time series plots of IES travel times (TT), unfiltered IES pressure records, low-pass filtered (40-hour cutoff frequency) IES pressure records, and IES temperatures. XBT profiles are shown after the IES plots. IES plots are labeled by year and IES number at the top of each plot. For example, 92IES1 denotes 1992 and IES1. XBT plots are identified by the XBT numbers which are given in Tables 3 and 4.

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Table 1: IES SUMMARY

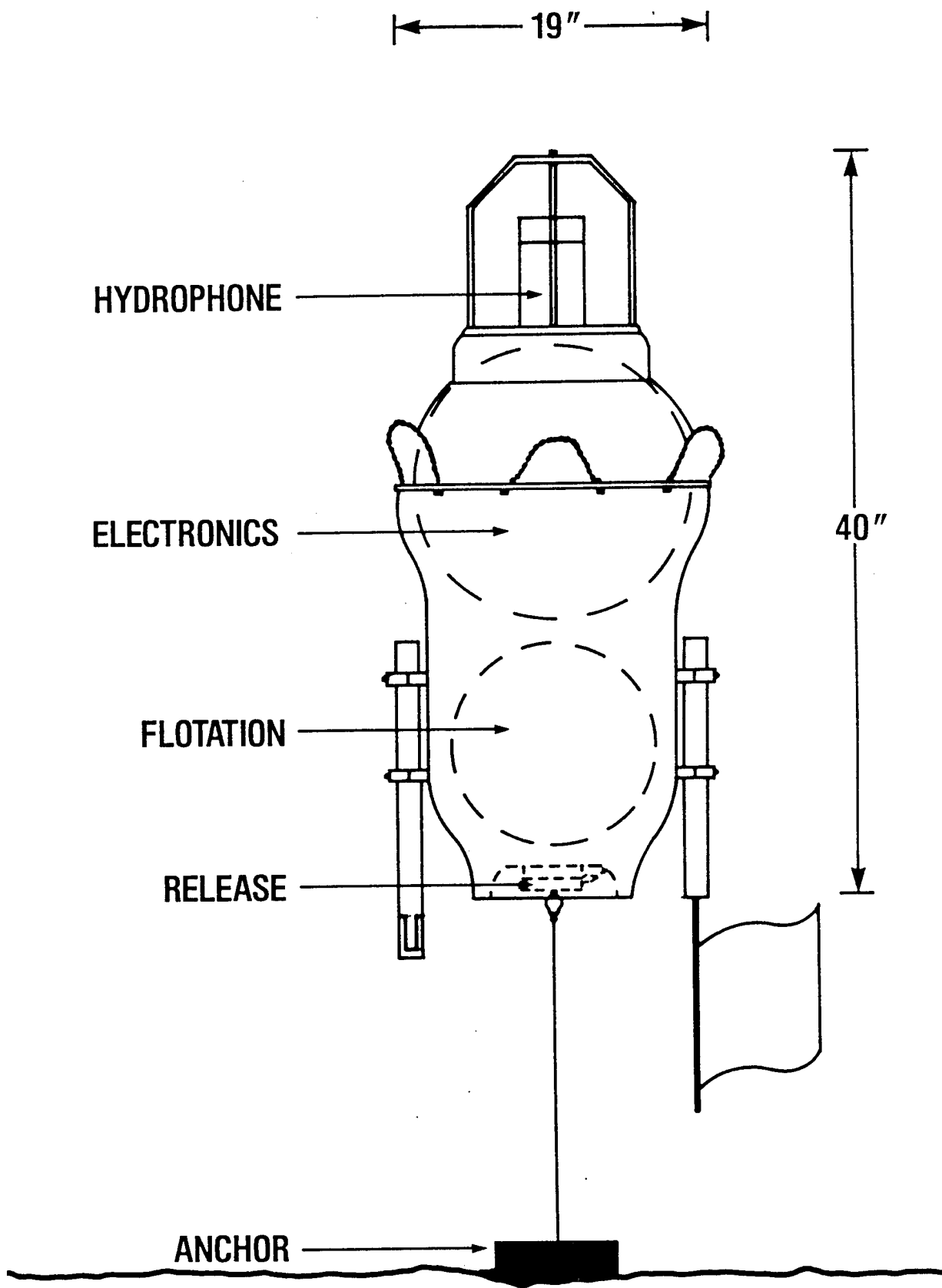
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92IES3	197.38	540.92	35.72	142.60	4378.	p,t,tt
92IES4	198.17	542.75	35.27	142.87	5663.	p,t,tt
92IES5	198.46	543.59	34.75	143.18	5479.	p,t,tt
92IES6	200.17	544.25	34.27	143.47	5762.	p,t,tt
92IES7	203.00	539.50	36.51	142.76	5818.	p,t,tt
92IES8	202.59	541.54	35.73	143.28	6200.	tt
93IES1	181.59	510.29	36.57	142.07	2644.	p,t,tt
93IES2	180.84	510.50	36.20	142.30	3609.	p,t,tt
93IES3	180.63	509.46	35.72	142.60	4402.	p,t,tt
93IES4	180.42	509.29	35.27	142.87	6000.	tt
93IES5	180.25	508.54	34.75	143.18	5483.	p,t,tt

Table 2: IES STATISTICS								
Meter ID	TT_{min}	TT_{max}	\overline{TT}	σ_{TT}	\overline{T}	σ_T	\overline{P}	σ_P
92IES1	0.313	0.330	0.322	0.282E-02	1.6	0.05	2650	0.3
92IES2	0.262	0.289	0.275	0.425E-02	1.4	0.3	3682	0.4
92IES3	0.139	0.175	0.153	0.782E-02	1.5	0.03	4378	0.3
92IES4	0.405E-01	0.722E-01	0.518E-01	0.695E-02	1.7	0.02	5663	0.4
92IES5	0.321	0.347	0.329	0.389E-02	1.6	0.03	5479	0.3
92IES6	0.278	0.295	0.285	0.237E-02	1.7	0.03	5762	0.6
92IES7	0.166	0.189	0.177	0.326E-02	1.5	0.00	5818	0.3
92IES8	0.129E-01	0.462E-01	0.284E-01	0.816E-02				
93IES1	0.311	0.328	0.316	0.293E-02	1.7	0.05	2644	0.4
93IES2	0.202	0.223	0.211	0.353E-02	1.5	0.03	3609	0.3
93IES3	0.167	0.194	0.181	0.498E-02	1.5	0.03	4402	0.3
93IES4	0.350	0.383	0.362	0.568E-02				
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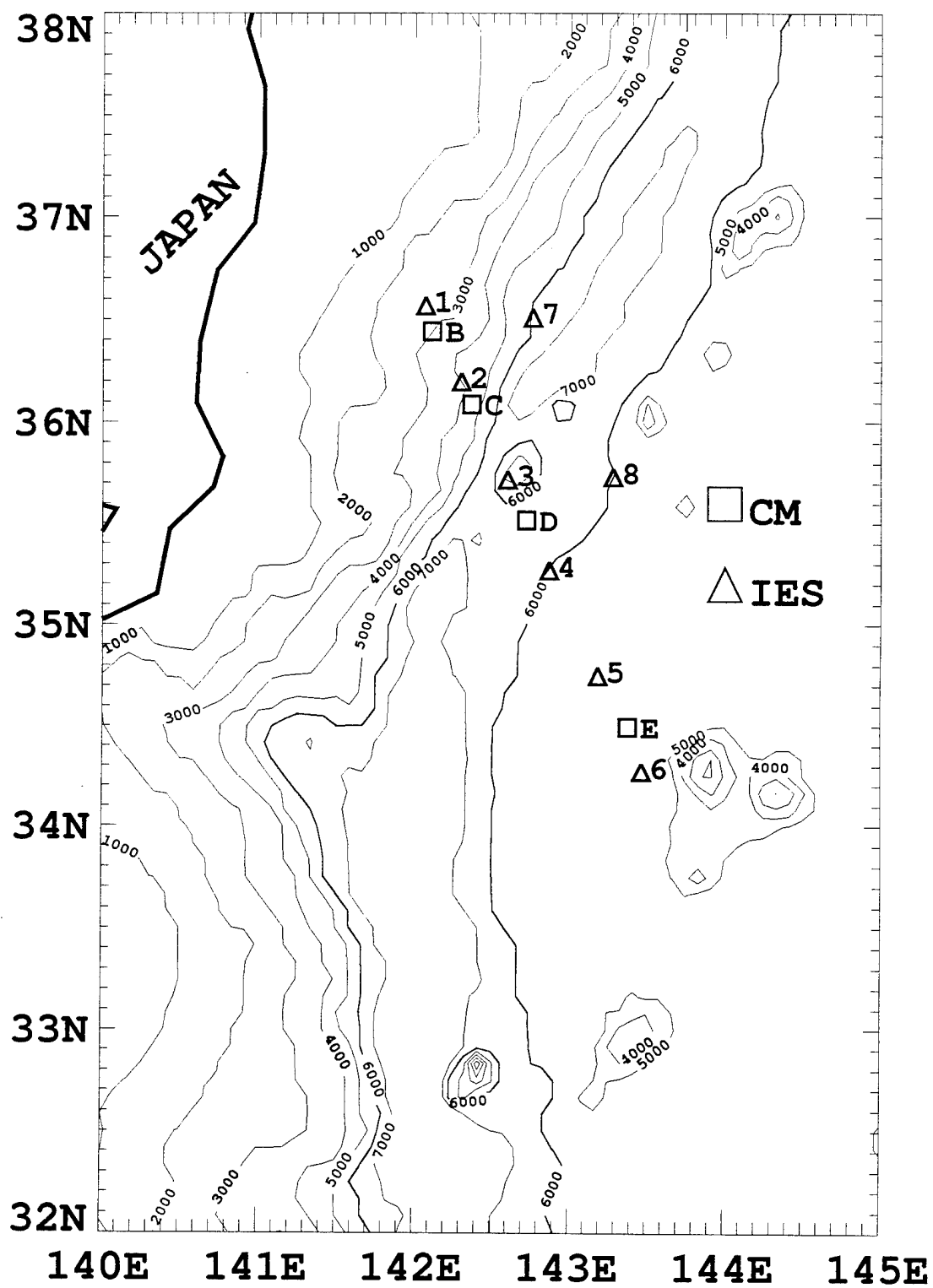
Table 3: XBT SUMMARY (1993)

Cast	Day	Lat	Lon	Zmin (m)	Zmax (m)	IES Site
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183	172.81	36.57	142.06	1.	750.	1
185	173.52	36.51	142.75	1.	750.	7
186	173.53	36.51	142.75	1.	750.	7
187	173.80	36.20	142.30	1.	750.	2
188	173.80	36.20	142.30	1.	750.	2
189	174.91	35.72	142.60	1.	750.	3
190	174.92	35.72	142.60	1.	750.	3
191	175.66	35.73	143.29	1.	750.	8
192	175.67	35.72	143.30	1.	750.	8
194	176.85	35.27	142.87	1.	750.	4
195	176.86	35.27	142.87	1.	750.	4
196	177.64	34.75	143.20	1.	750.	5
197	177.66	34.75	143.18	1.	750.	5
198	178.32	34.27	143.47	1.	750.	6
201	178.33	34.27	143.46	1.	750.	6
202	180.18	34.75	143.19	1.	750.	5
203	180.18	34.75	143.18	1.	750.	5
204	180.40	34.27	142.87	1.	750.	4
205	180.41	34.27	142.88	1.	750.	4
206	180.57	35.72	142.60	1.	750.	3
207	180.58	35.72	142.60	1.	750.	3
208	180.76	36.20	142.30	1.	750.	2
209	180.77	36.20	142.30	1.	750.	2
210	181.49	36.57	142.07	1.	750.	1
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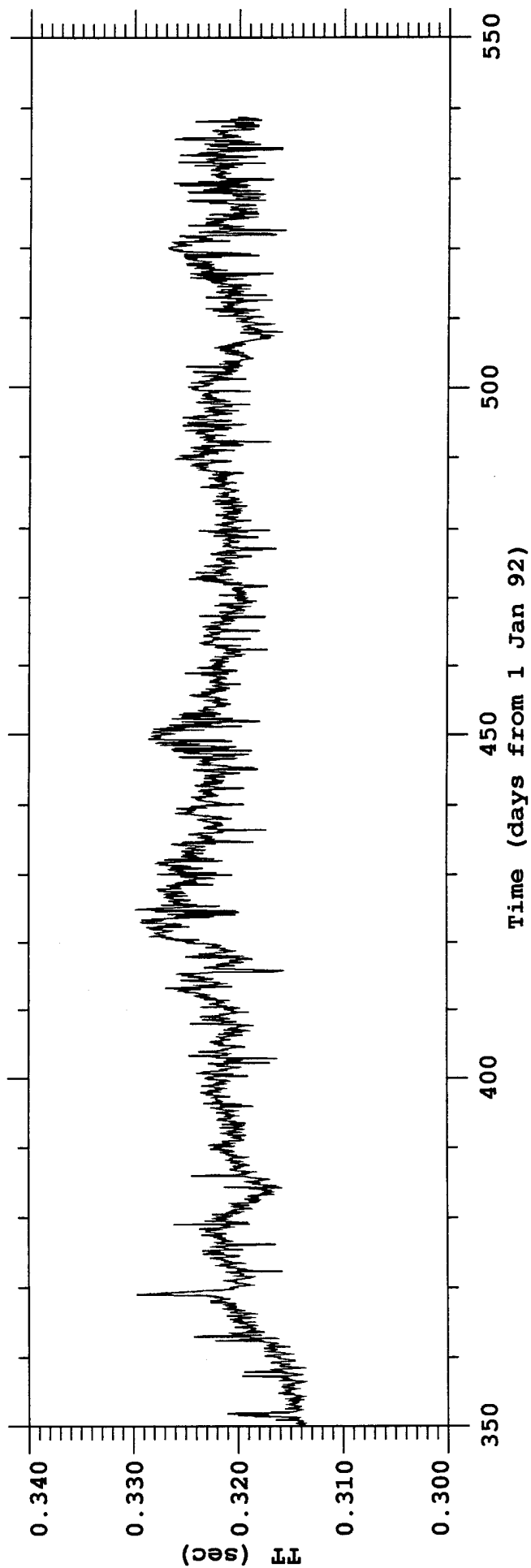
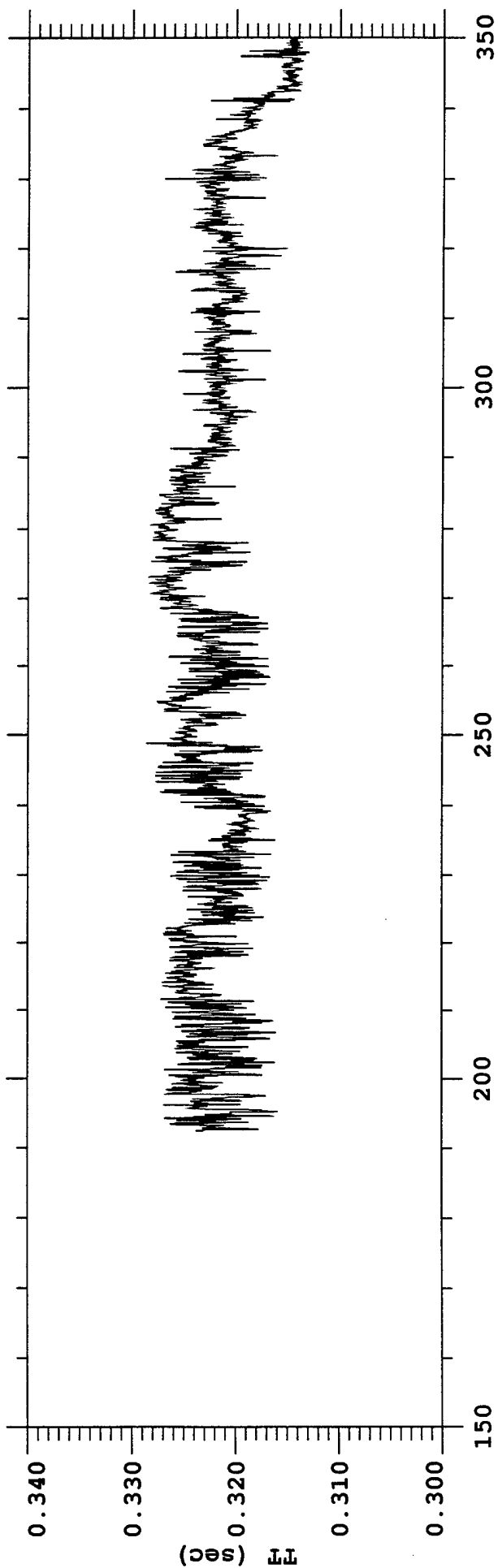
Table 4: XBT SUMMARY (1994)						
Cast	Day	Lat	Lon	Zmin (m)	Zmax (m)	IES Site
1	143.74	34.75	143.19	1.	750.	5
2	143.75	34.75	143.20	1.	750.	5
3	144.37	35.26	142.88	1.	750.	4
4	144.38	35.27	142.88	1.	750.	4
5	144.62	35.72	142.60	1.	750.	3
6	144.64	35.72	142.60	1.	750.	3
7	145.48	36.57	142.07	1.	750.	1
8	145.49	36.57	142.07	1.	750.	1
9	145.49	36.57	142.07	1.	750.	1
10	145.63	36.20	142.30	1.	750.	2
11	145.64	36.20	142.30	1.	750.	2
12	145.64	36.20	142.30	1.	750.	2



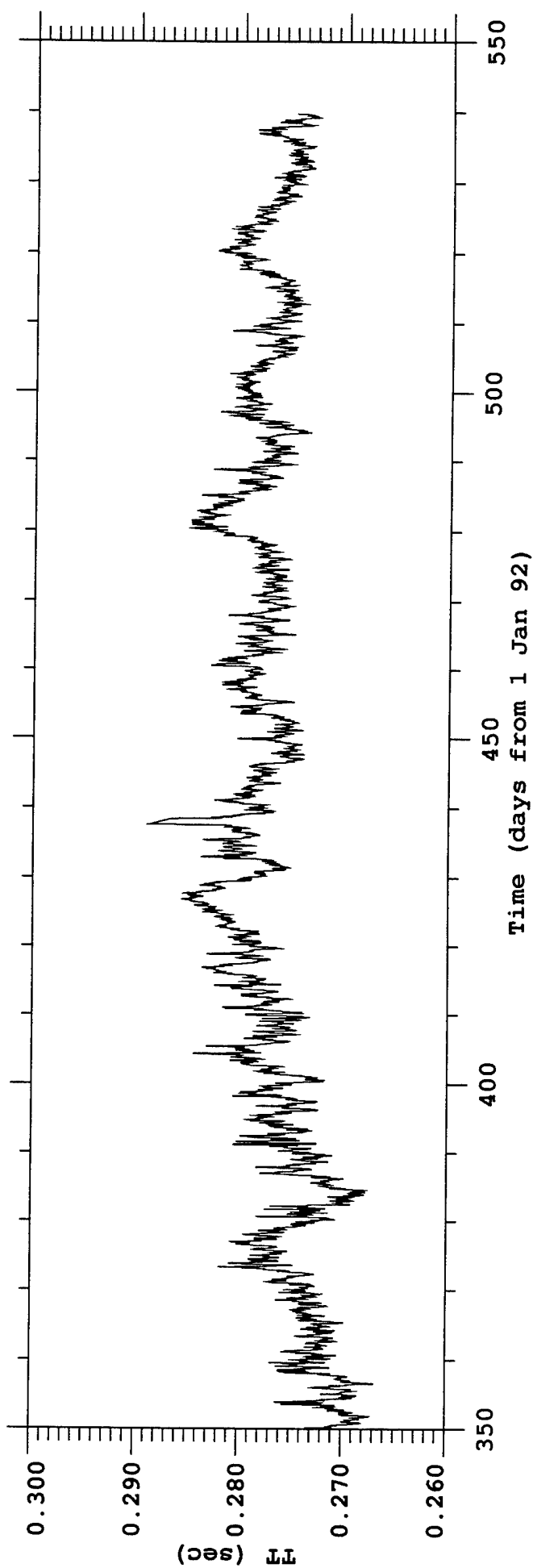
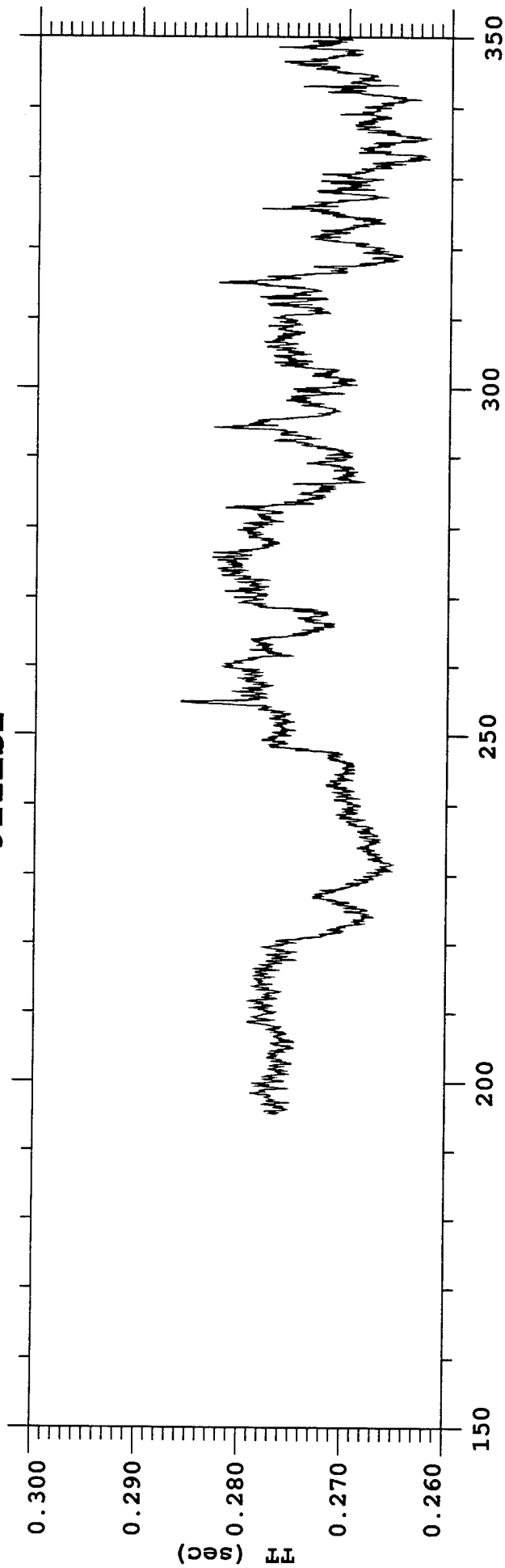
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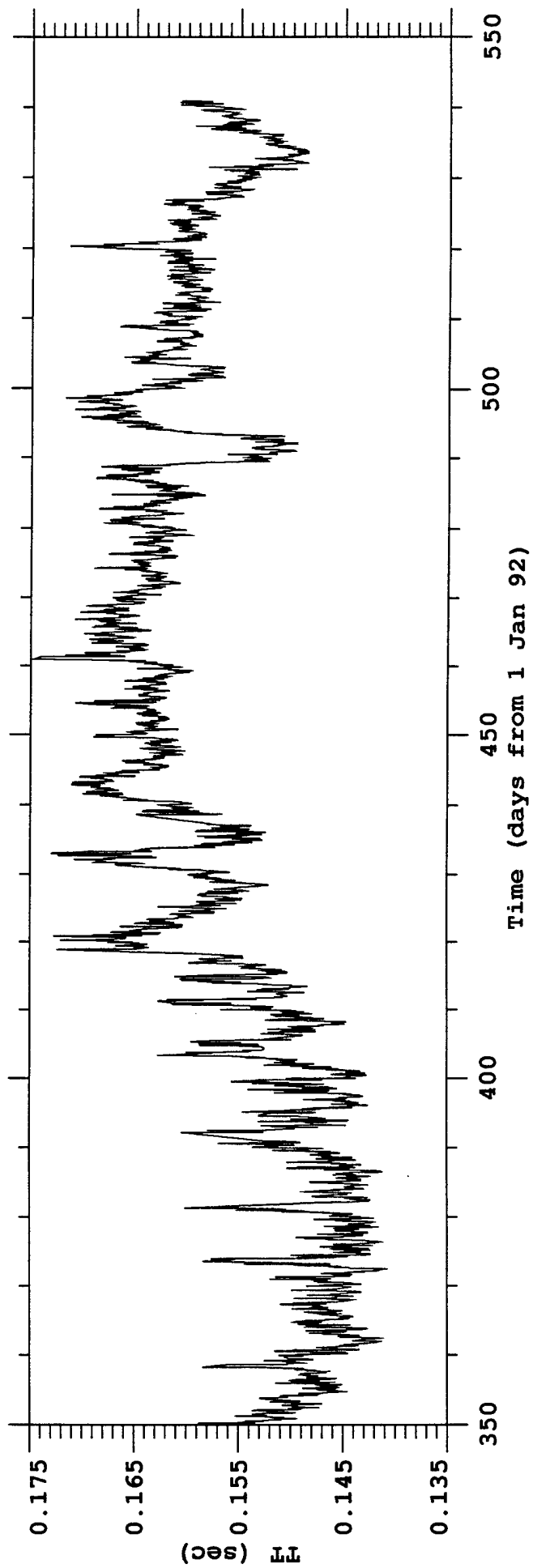
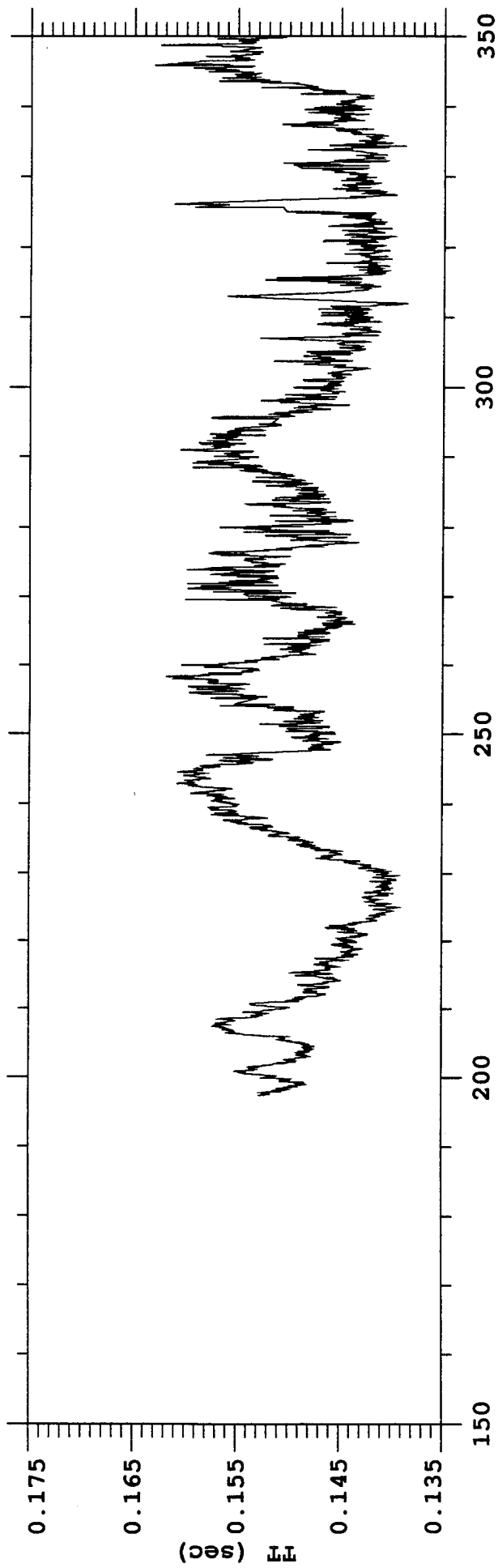
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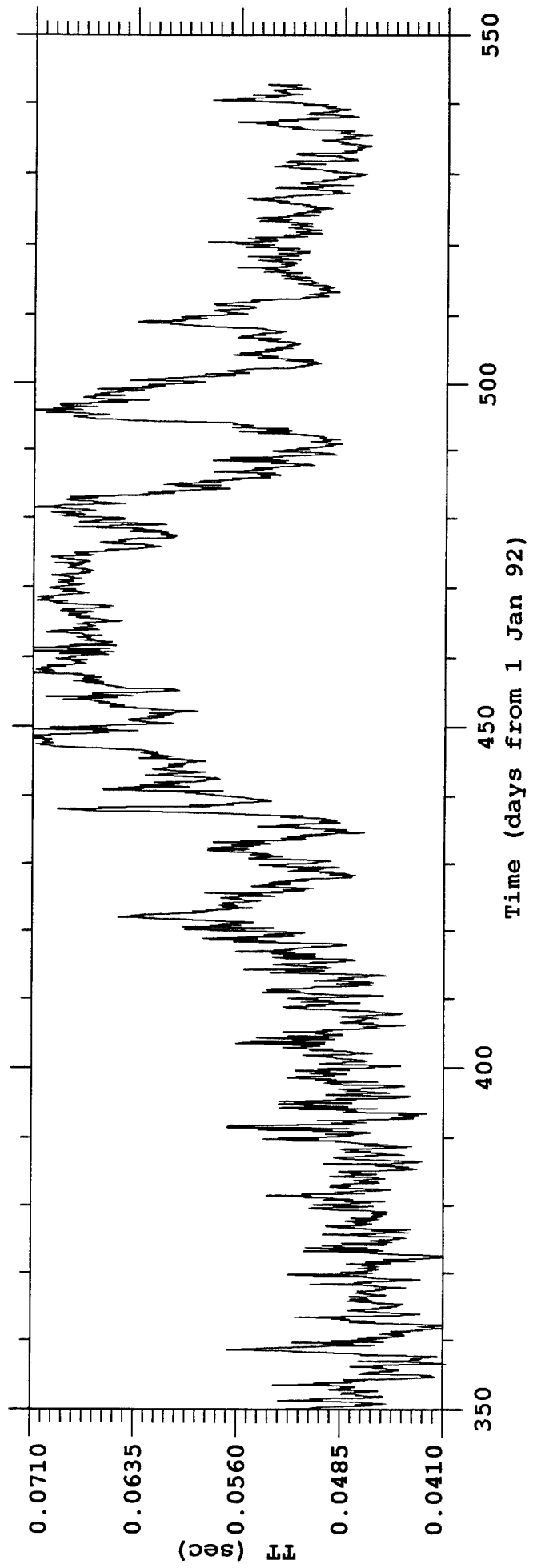
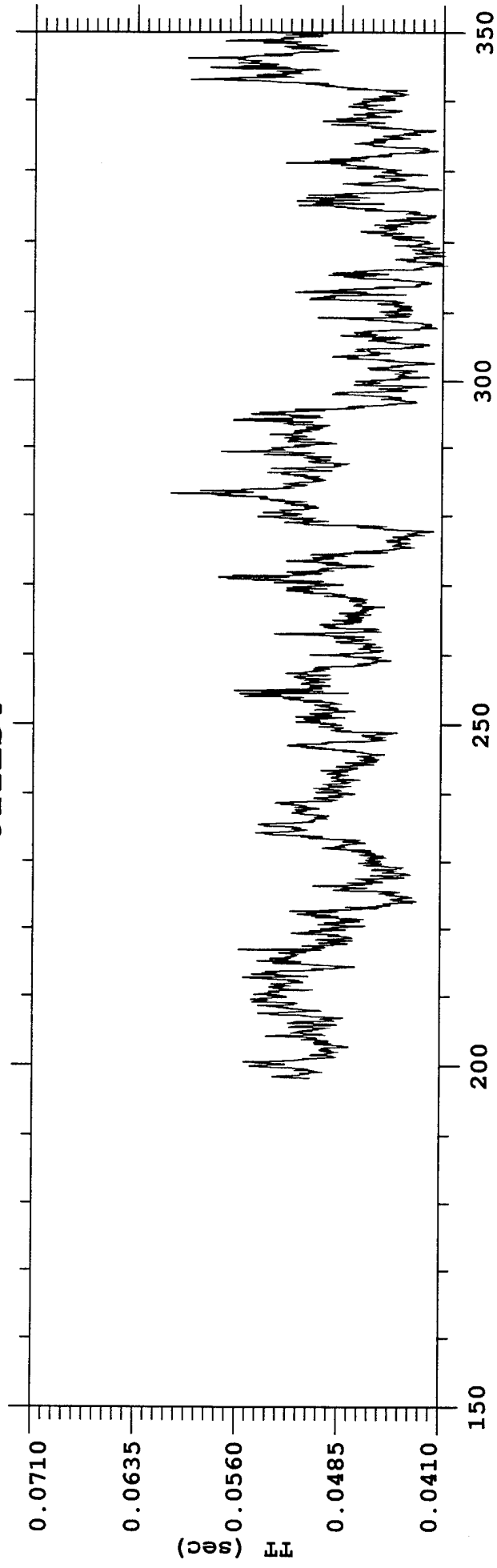
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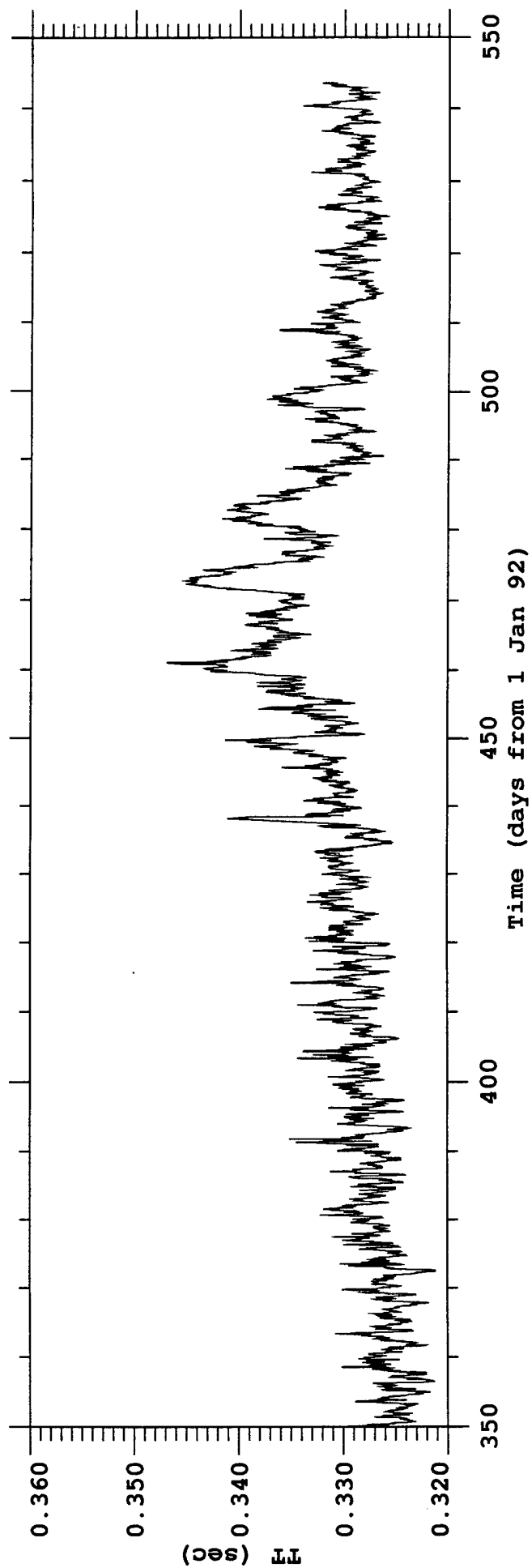
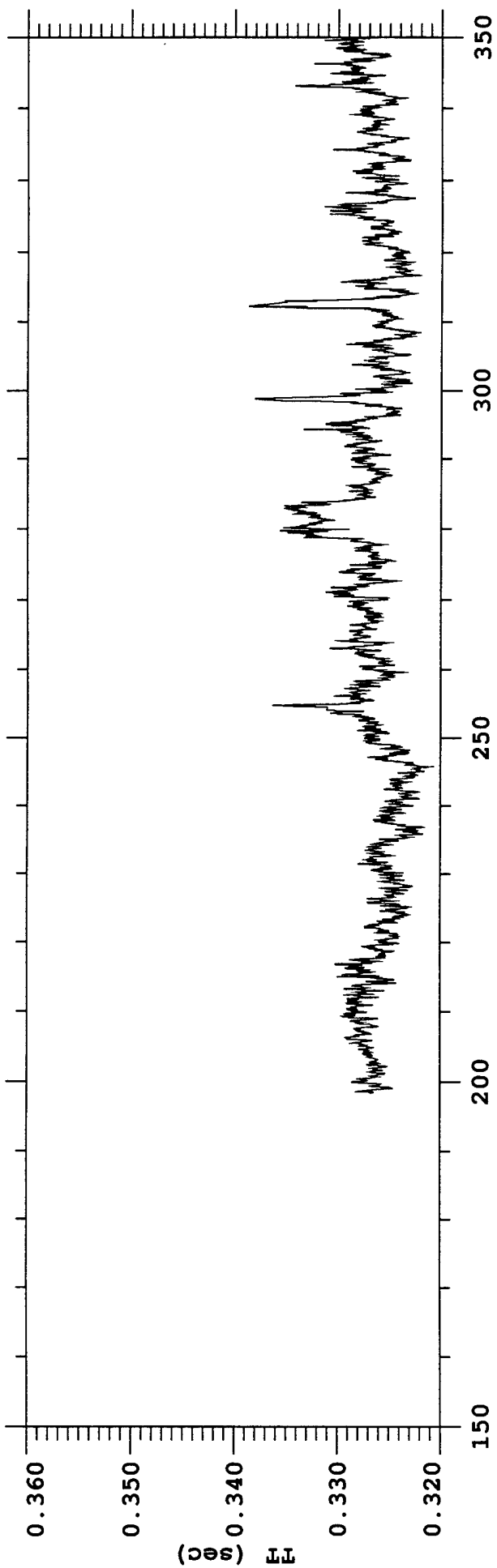
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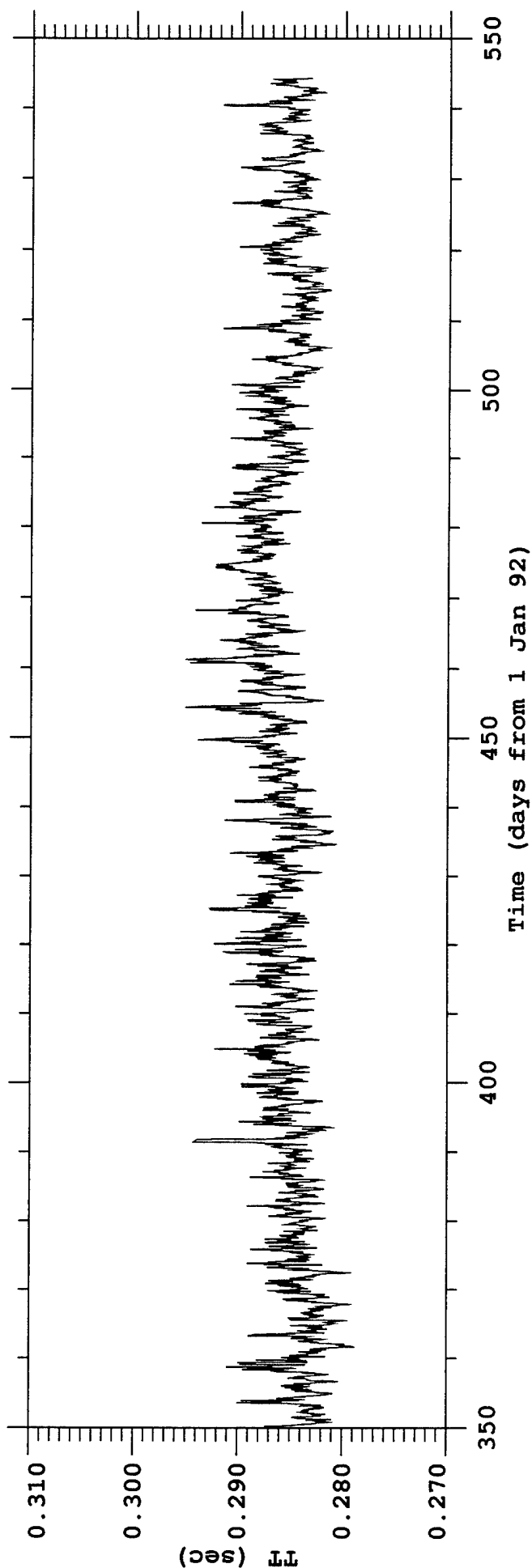
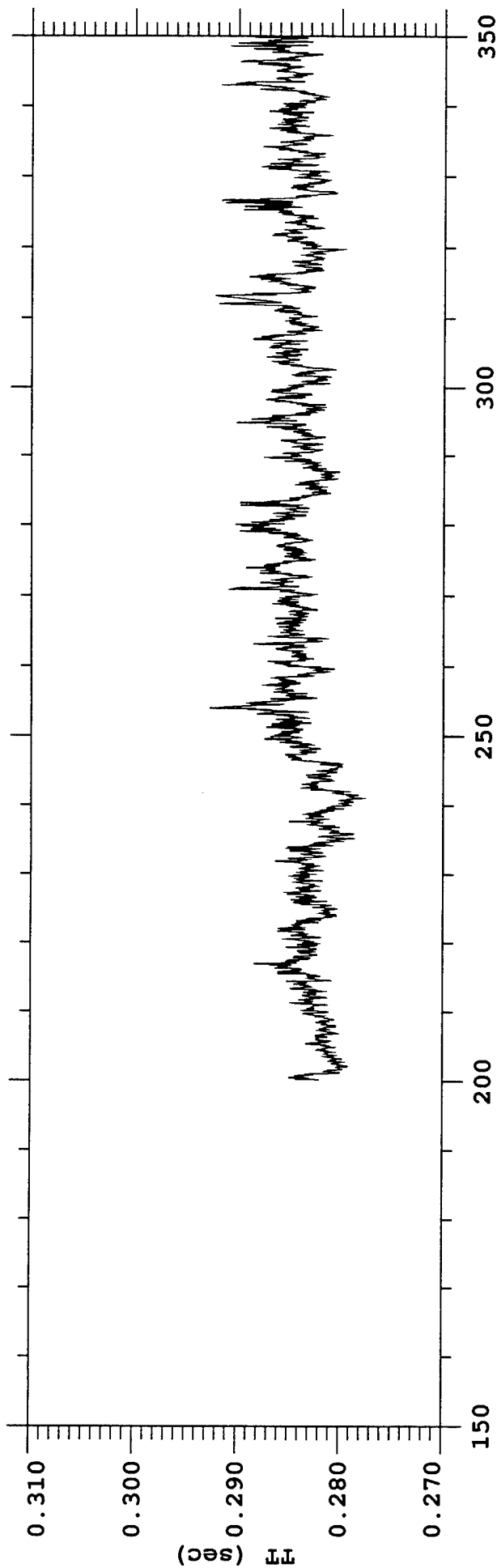
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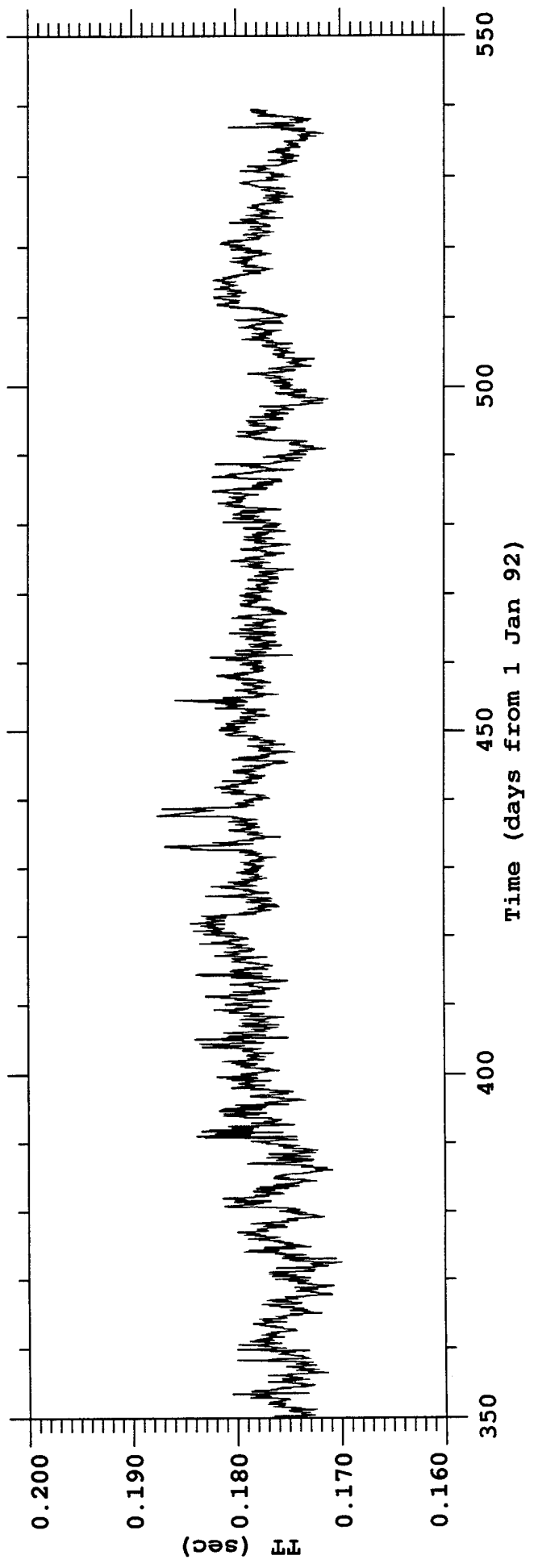
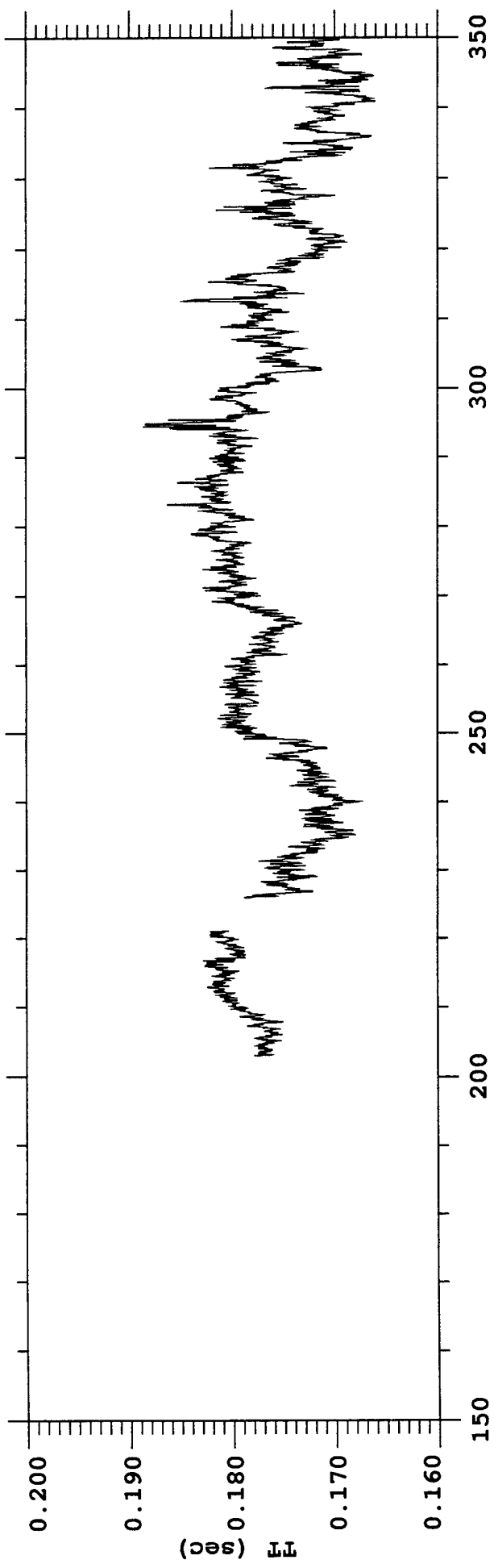
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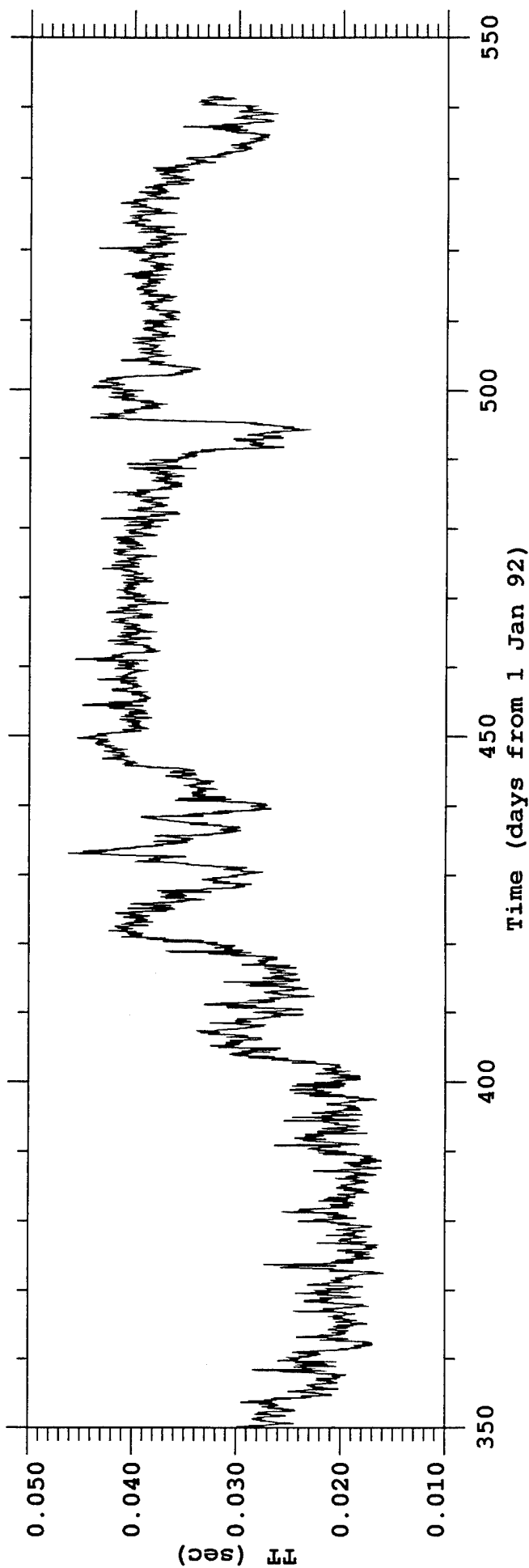
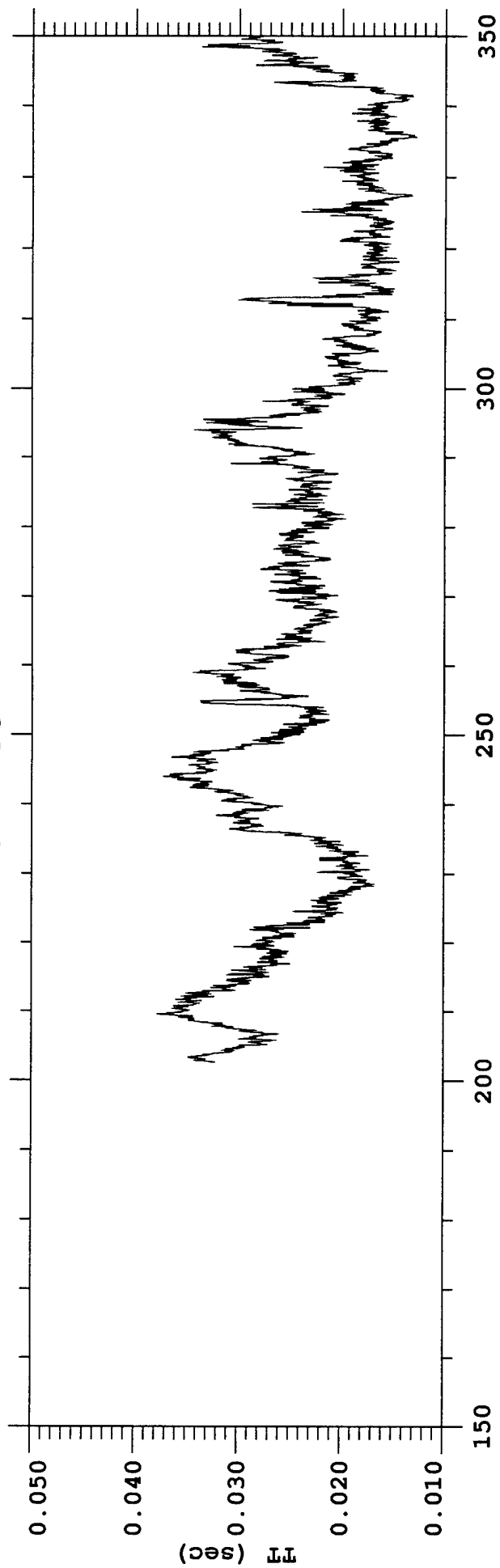
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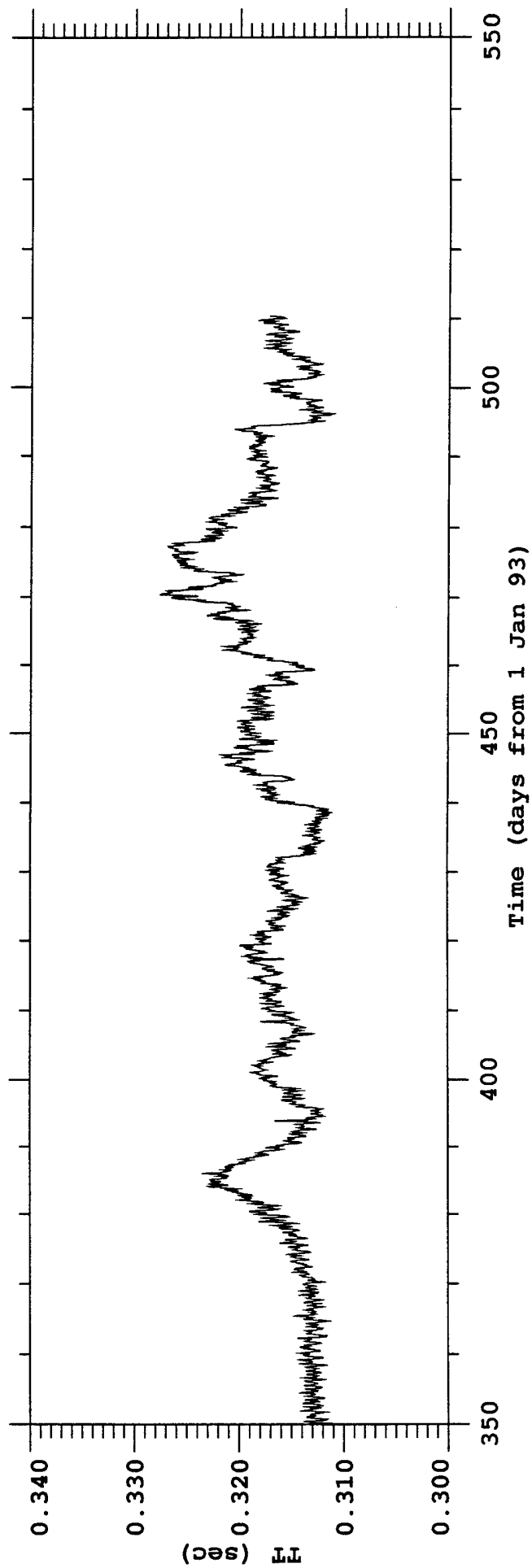
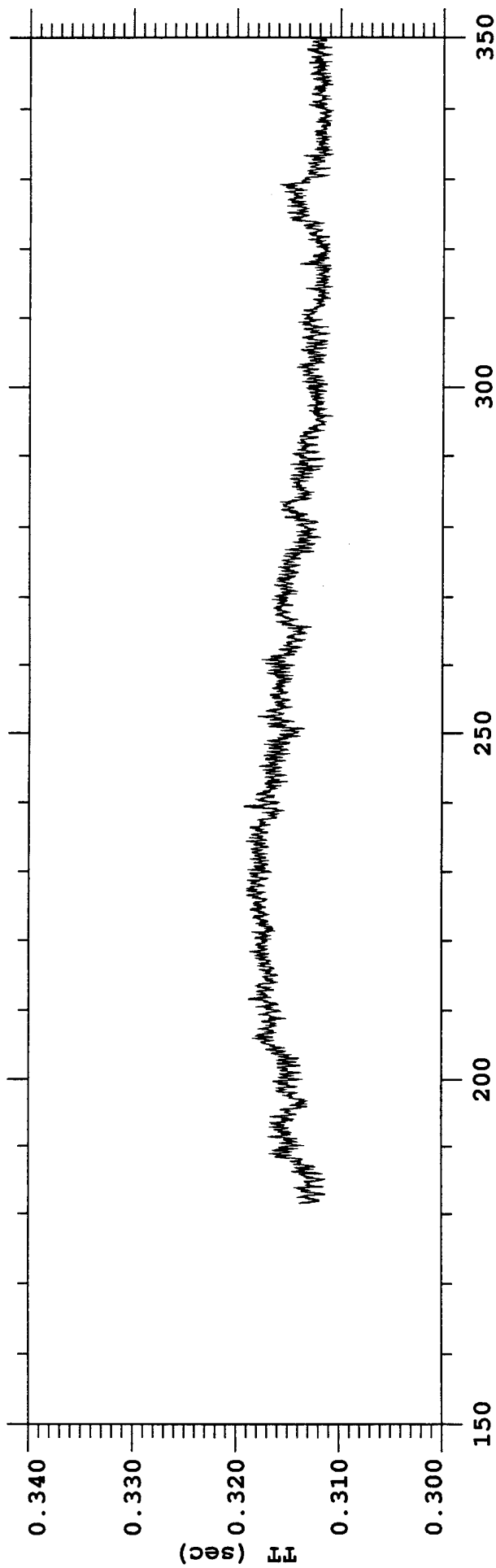
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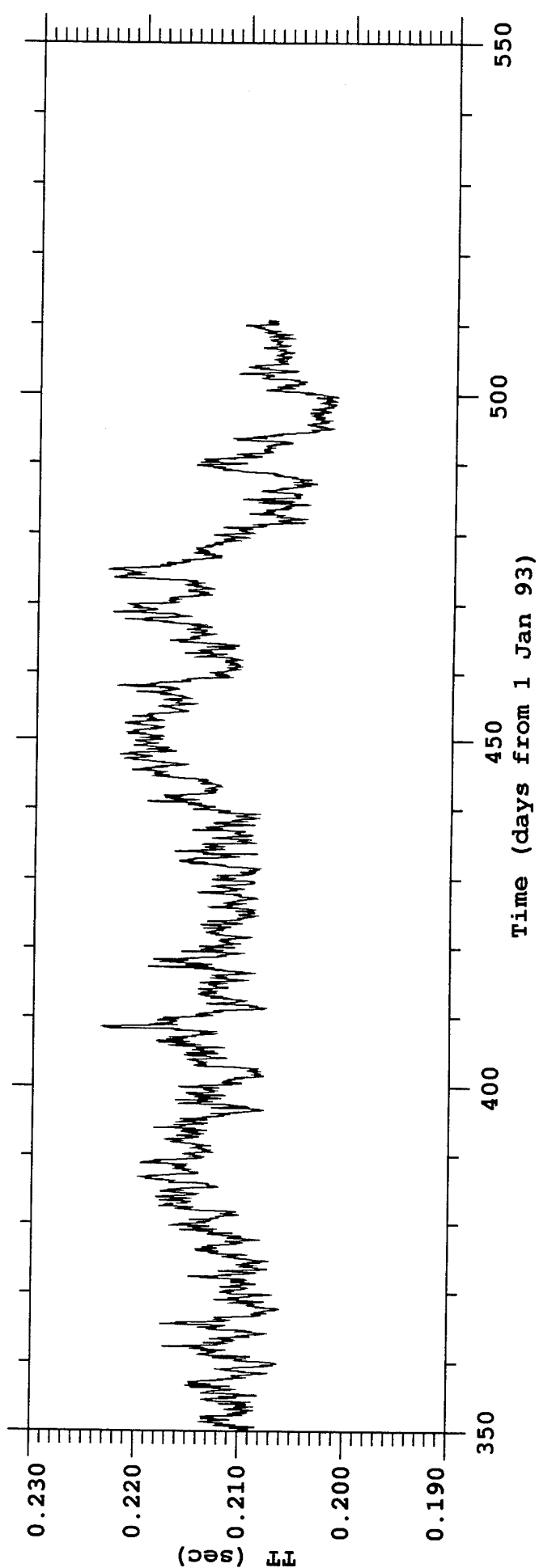
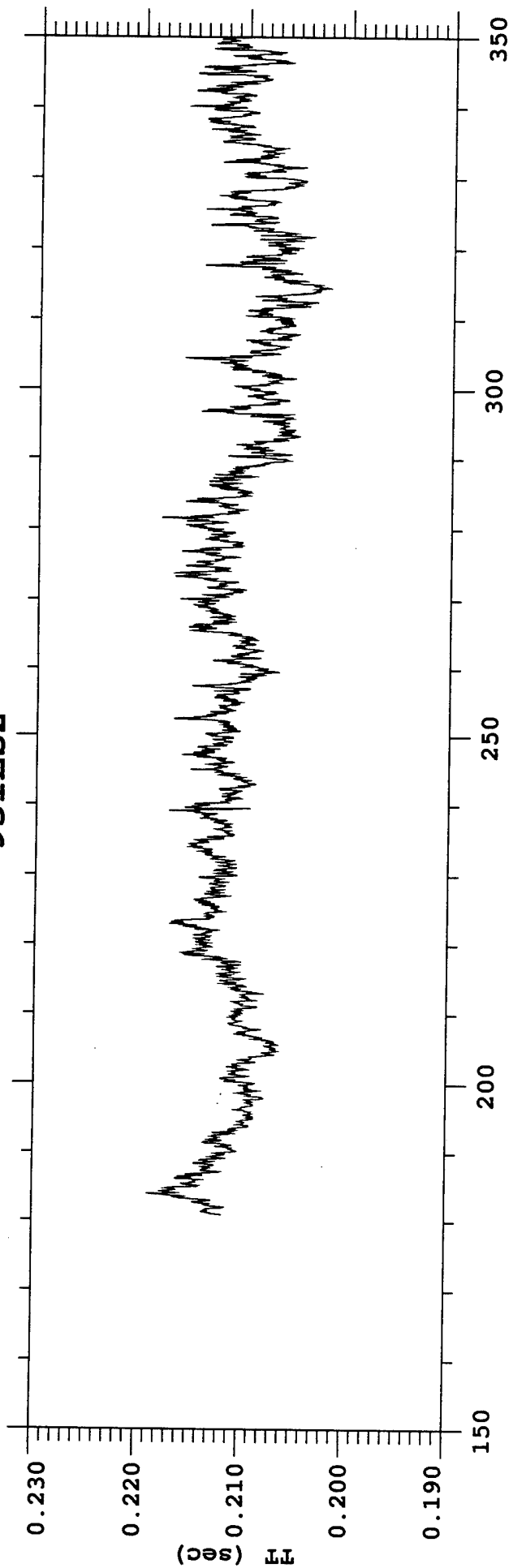
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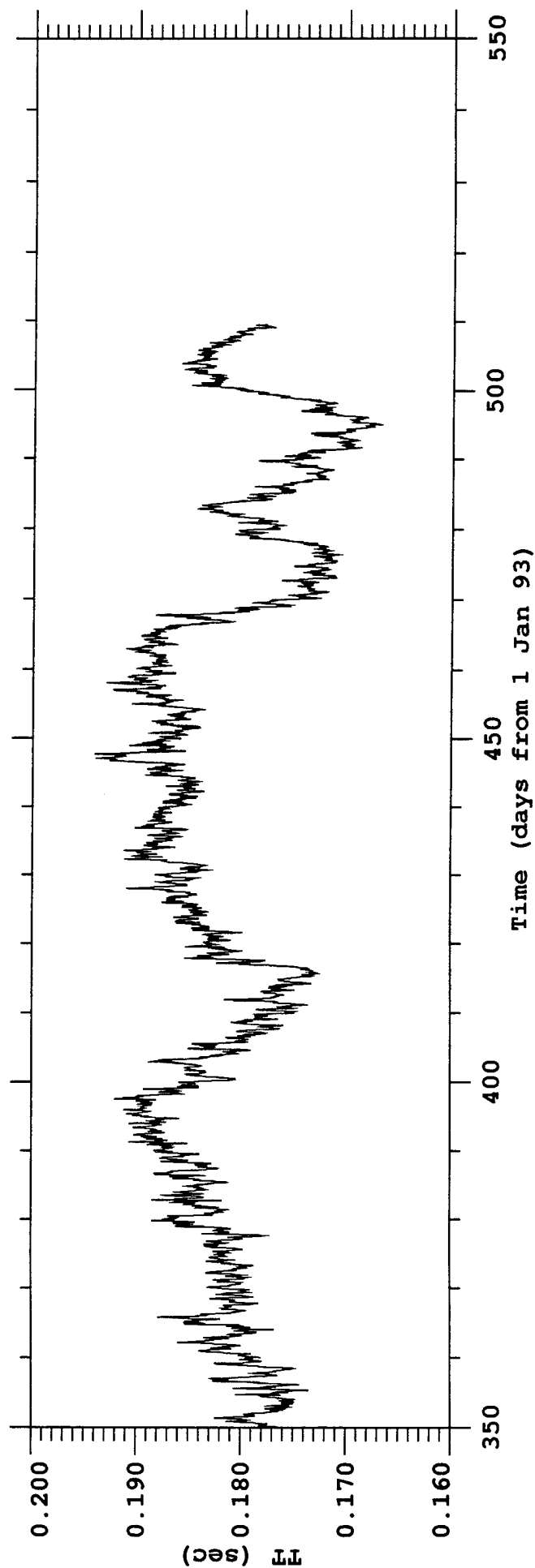
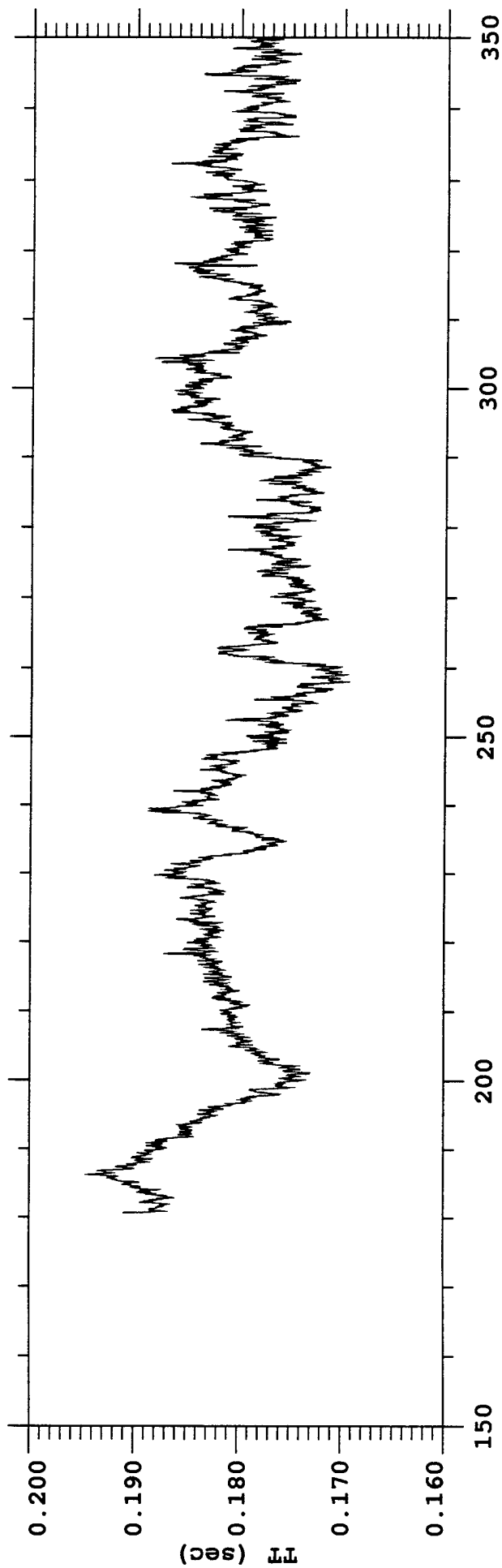
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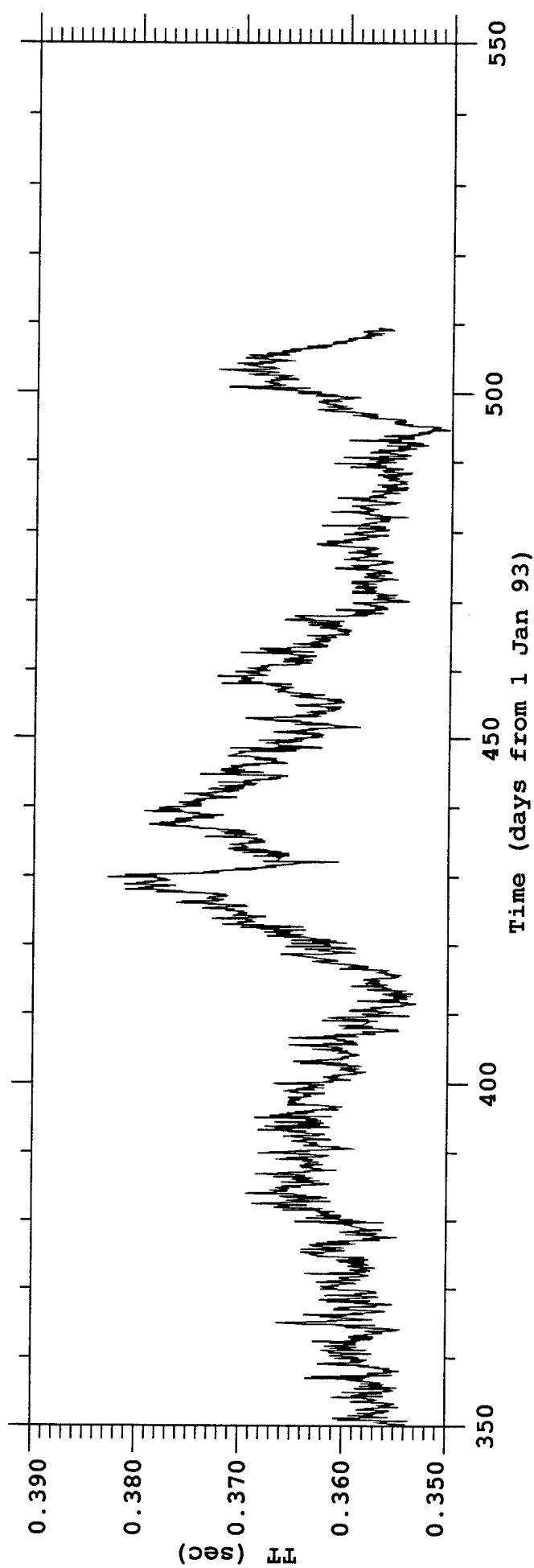
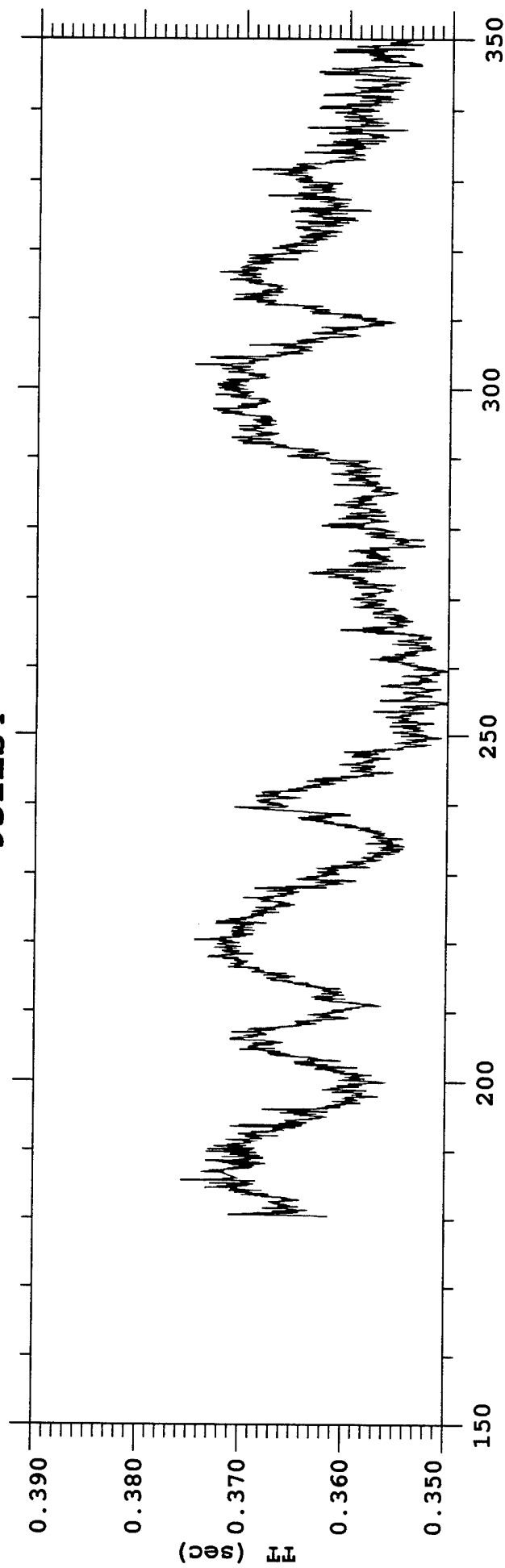
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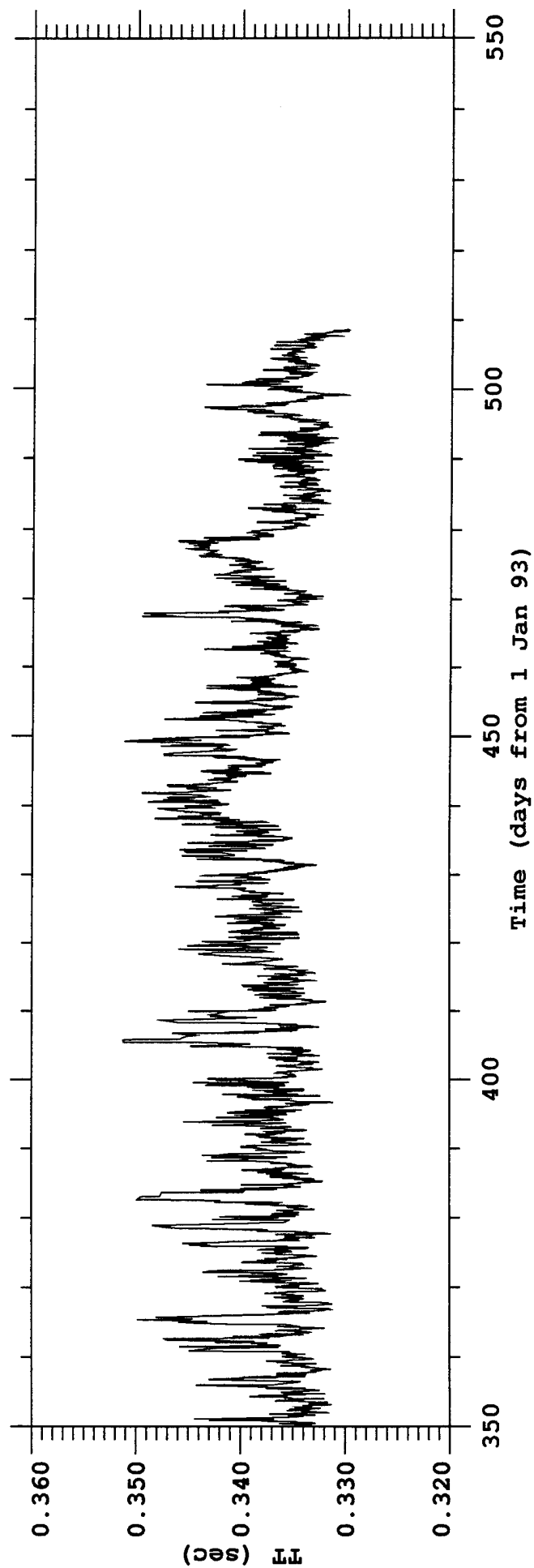
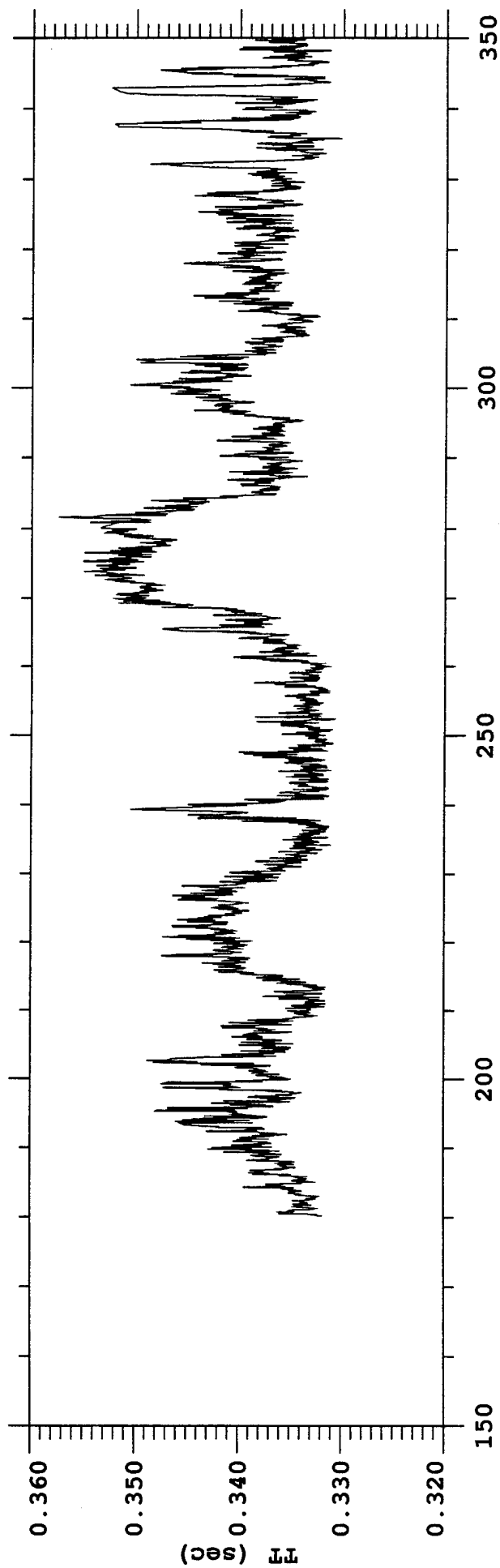
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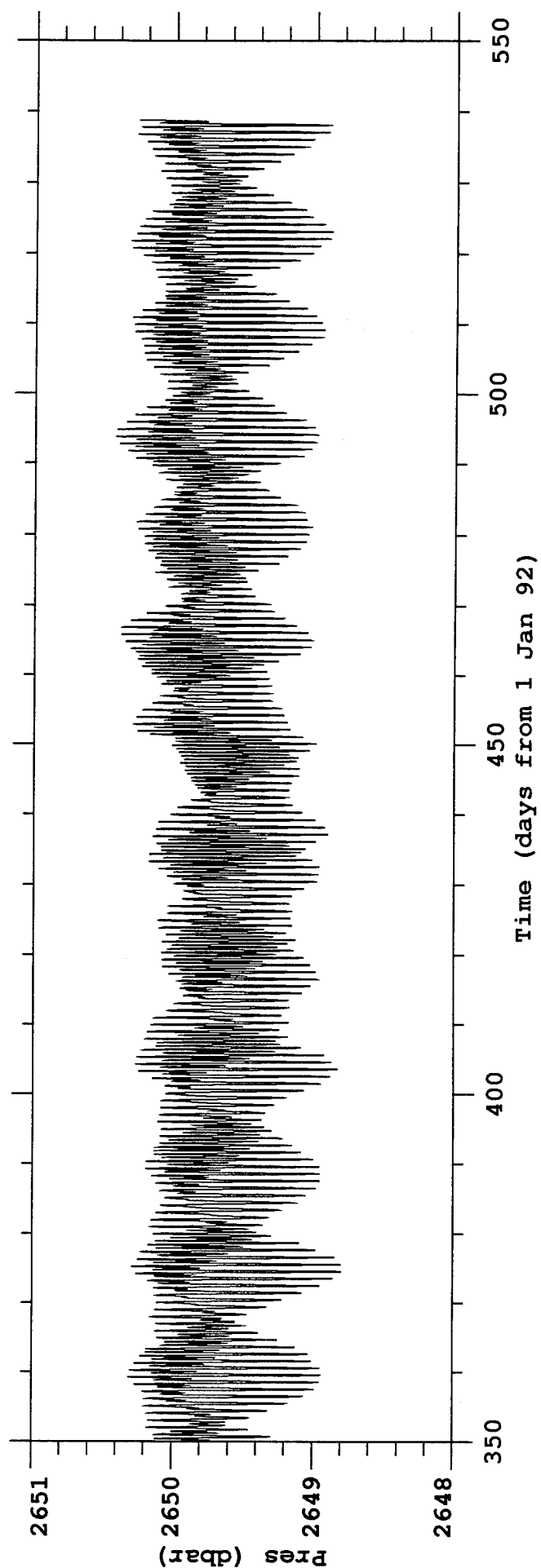
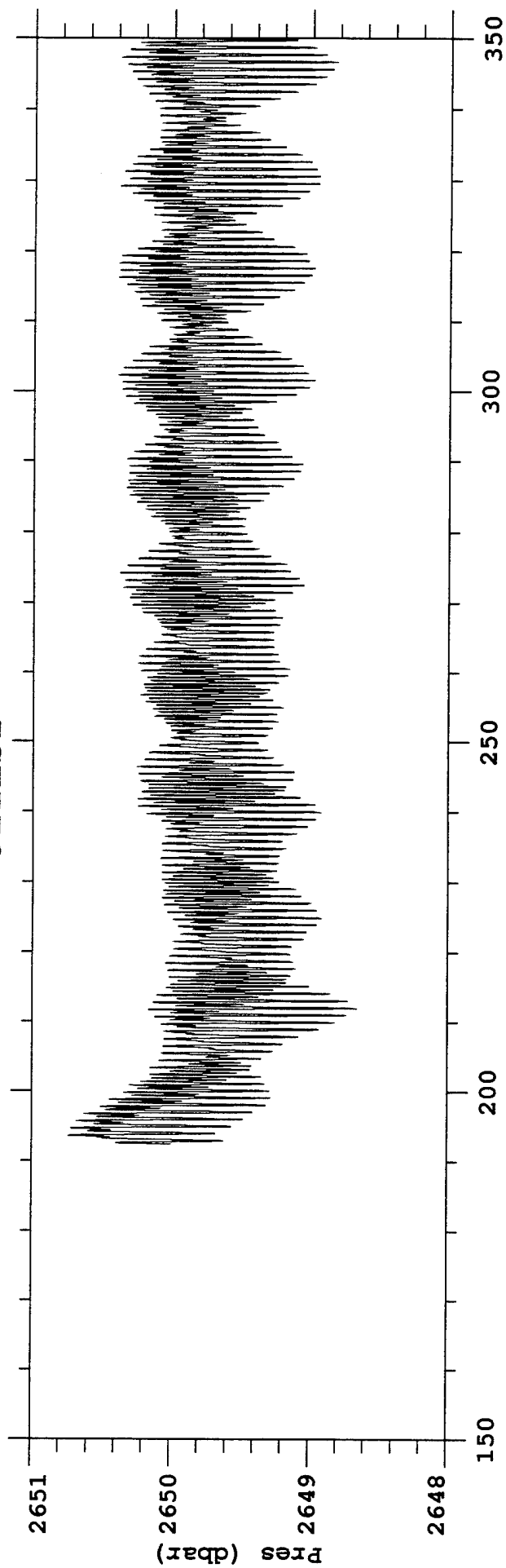
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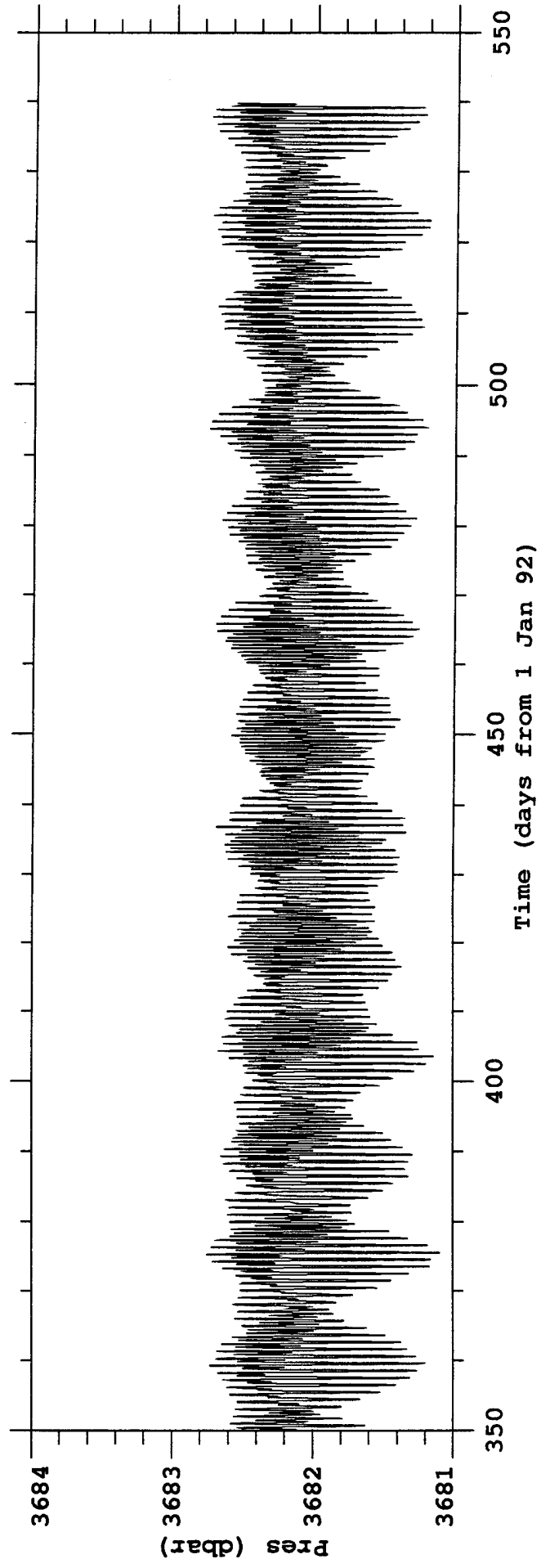
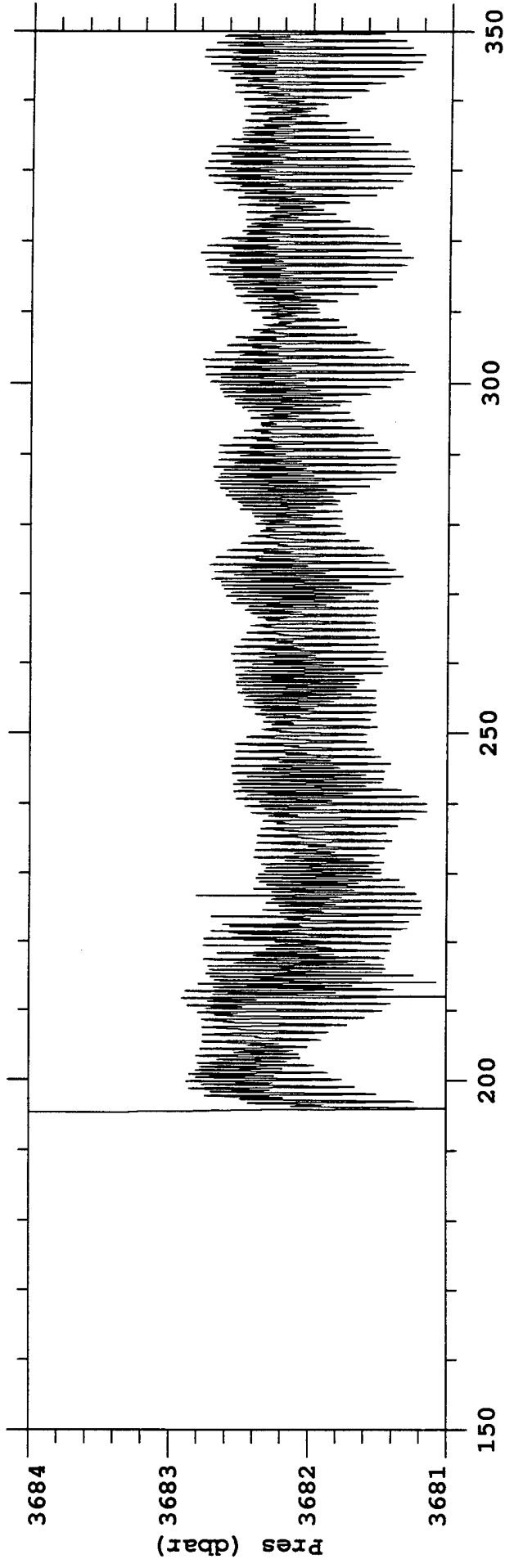
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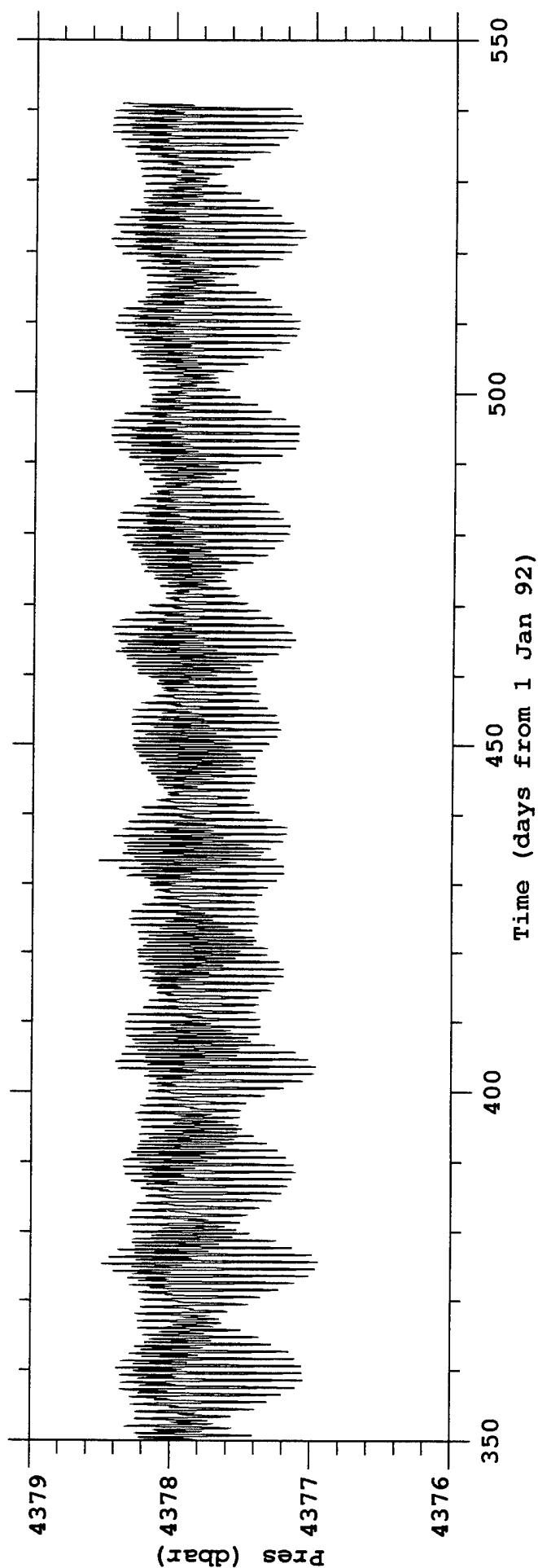
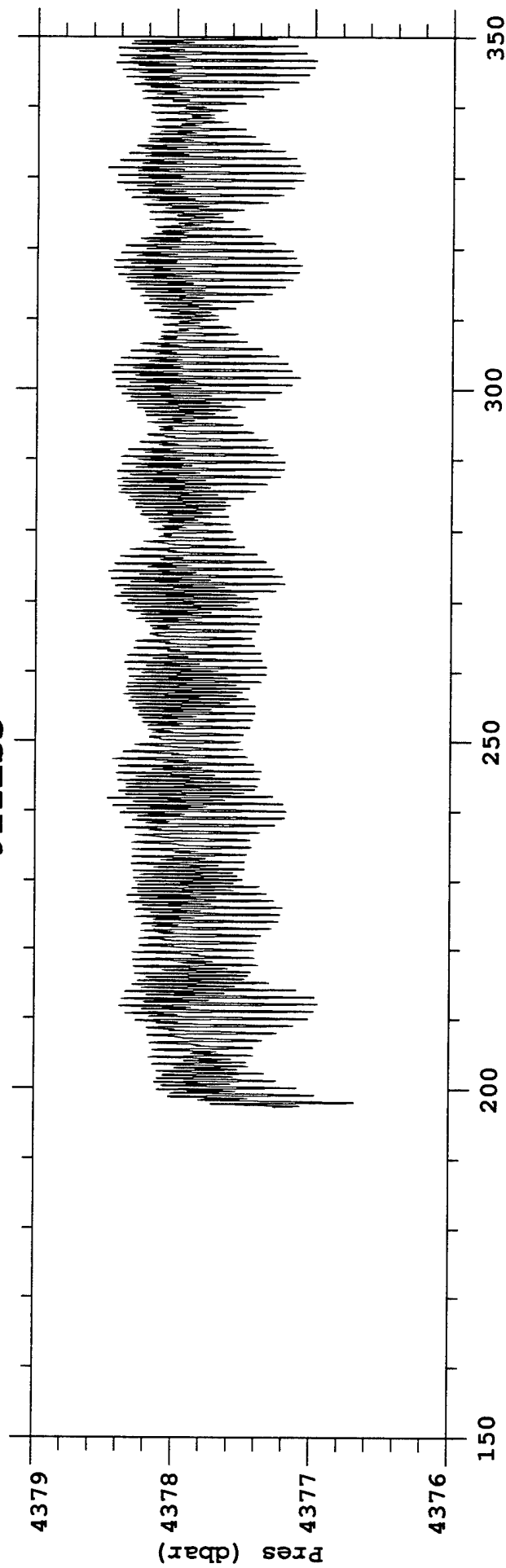
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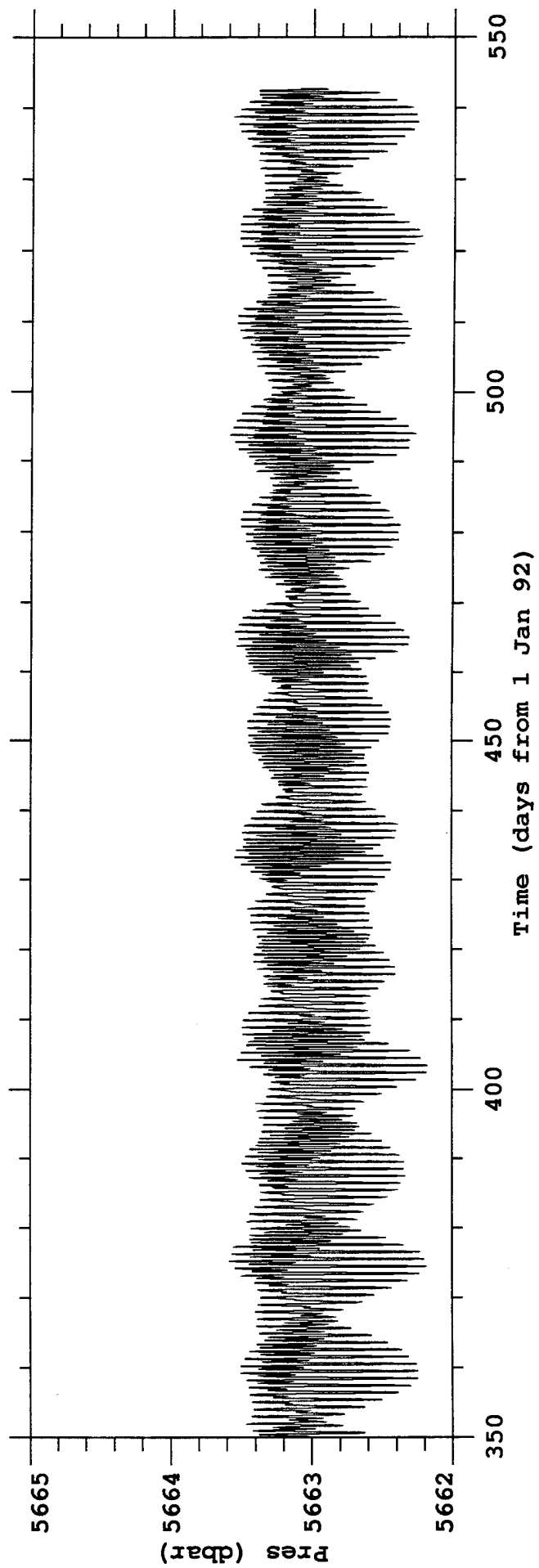
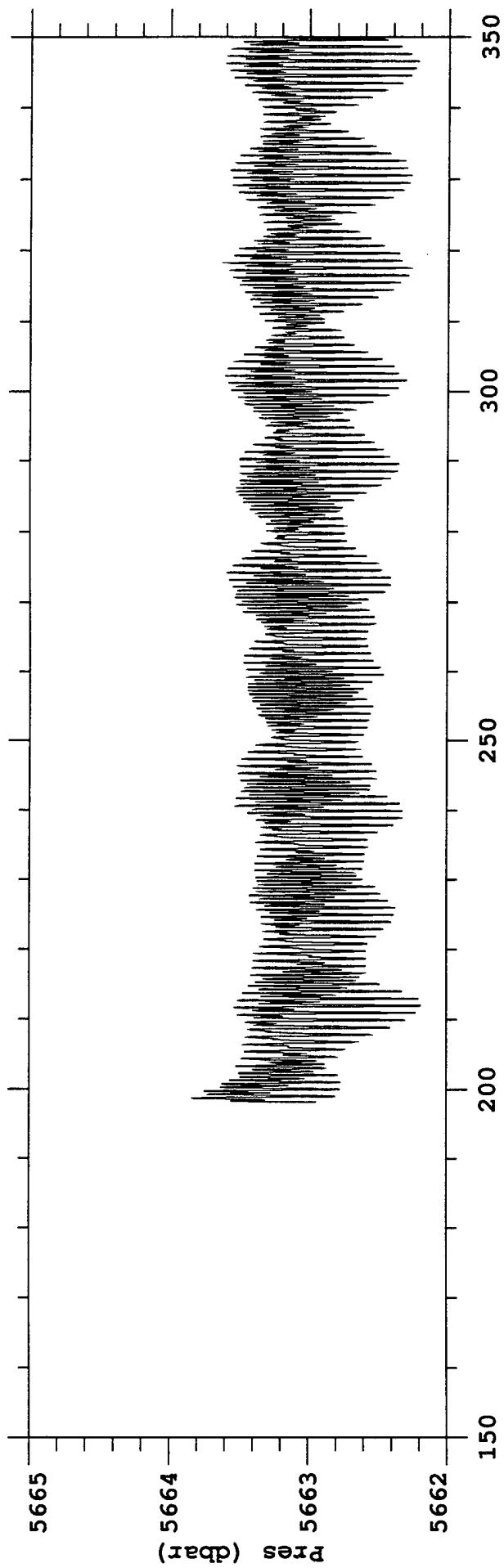
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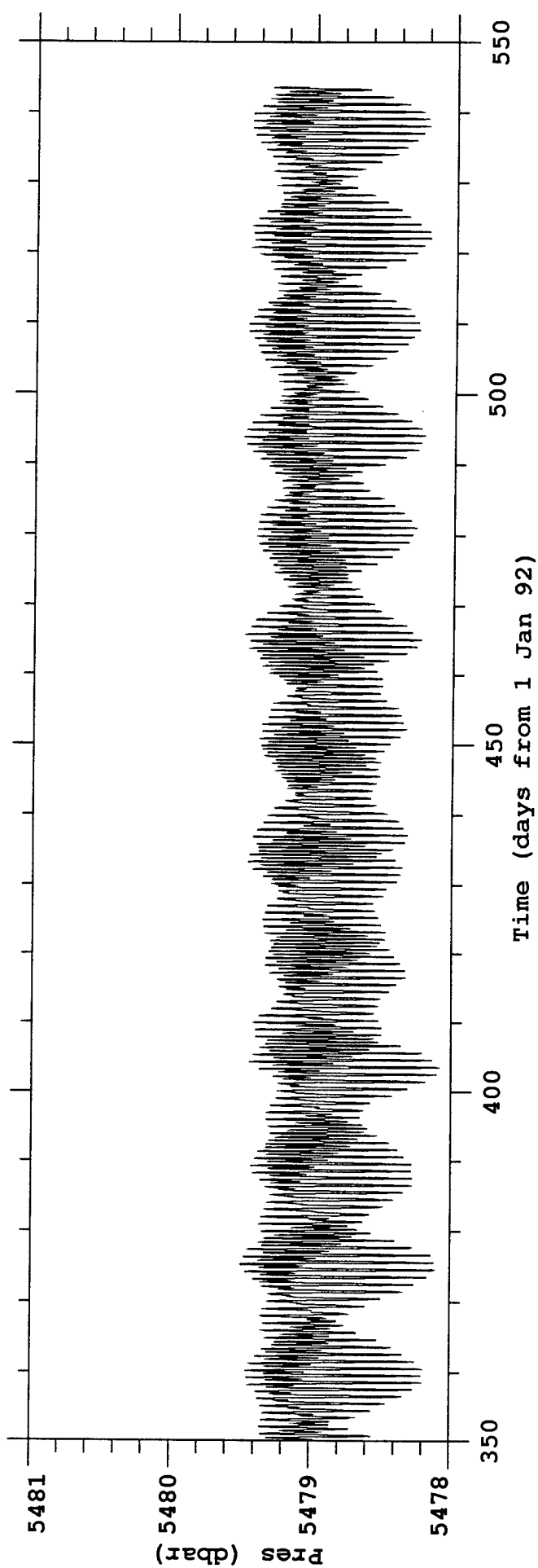
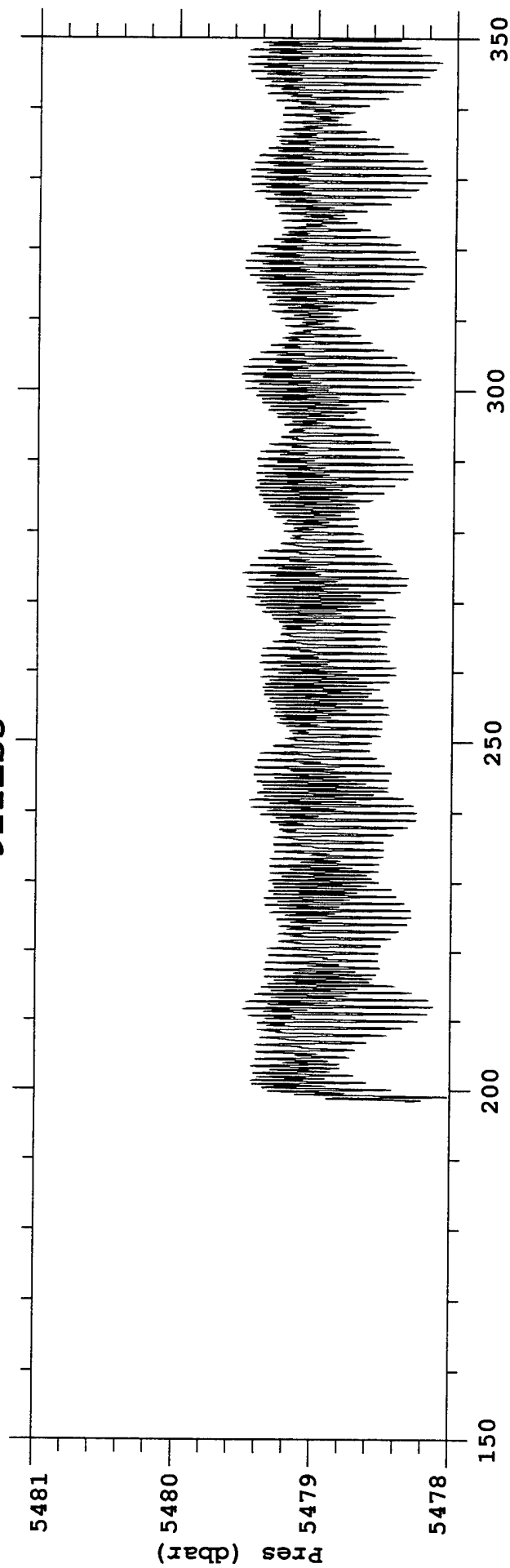
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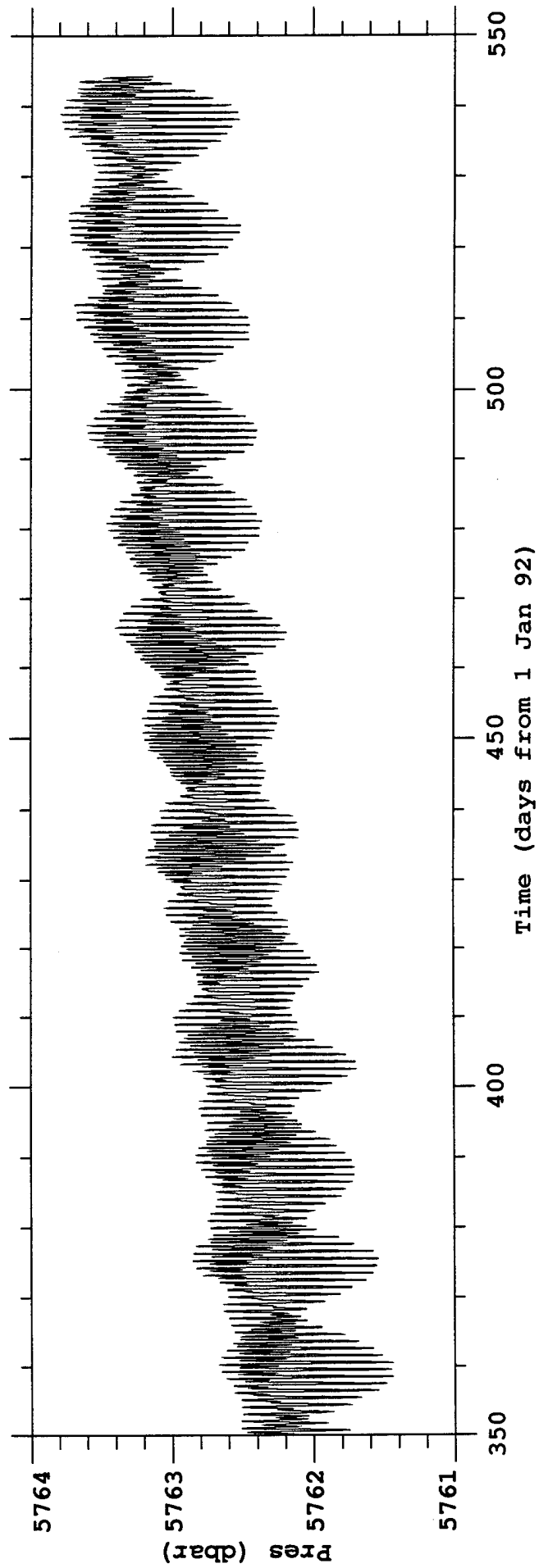
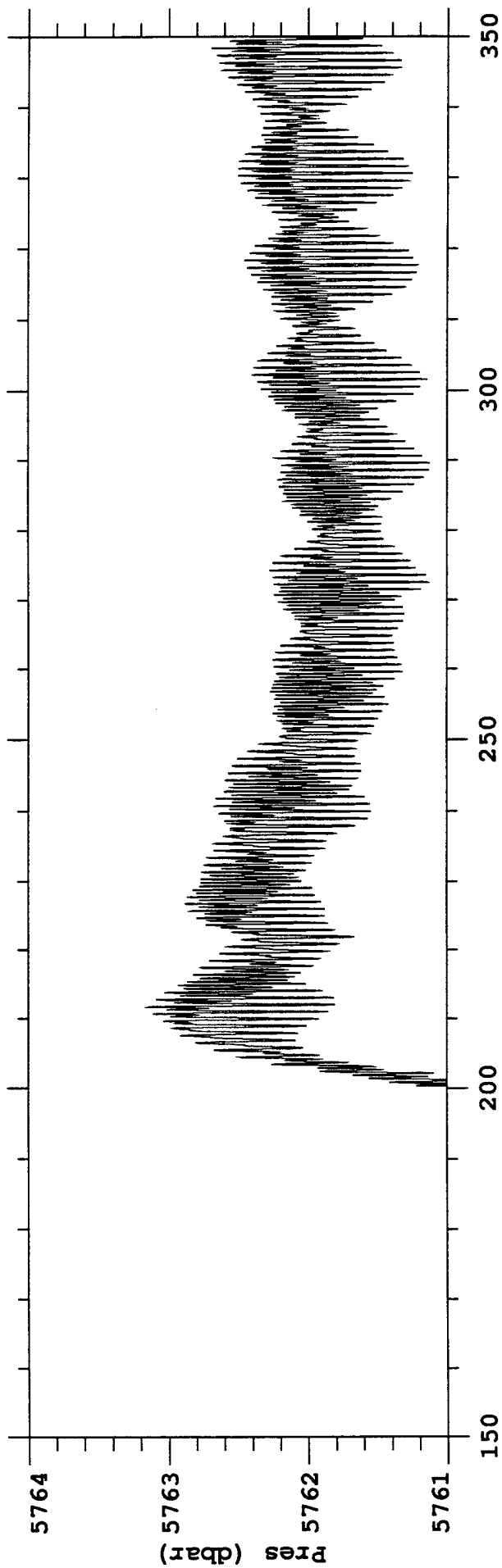
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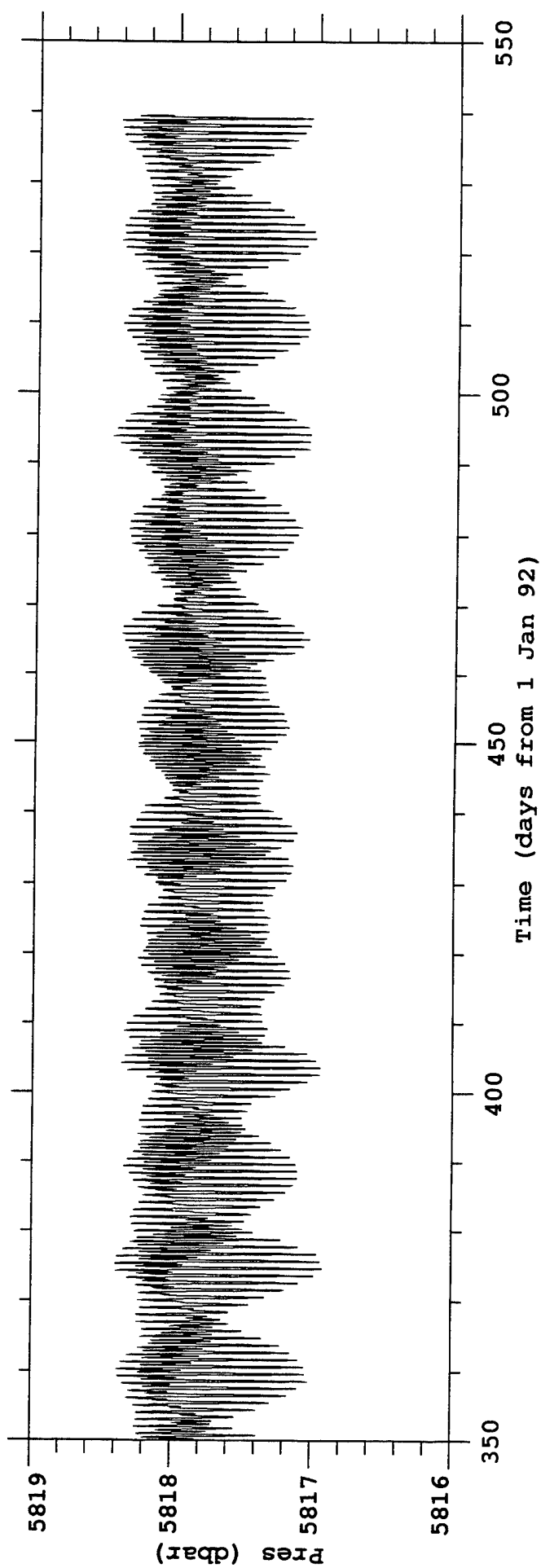
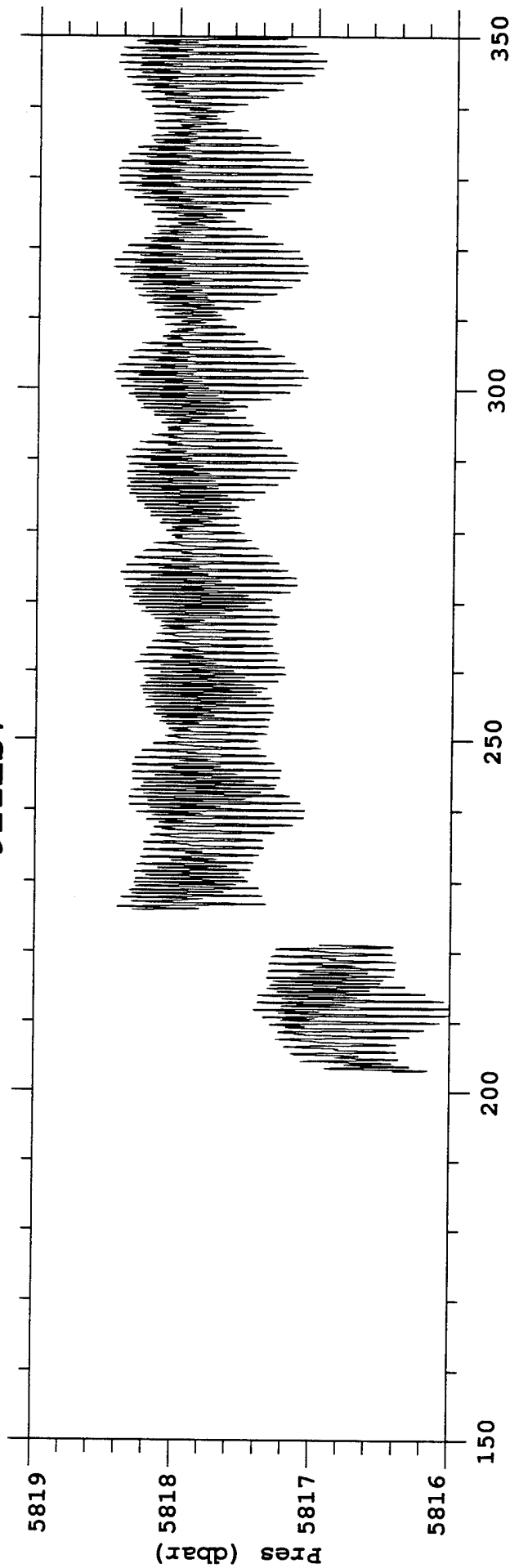
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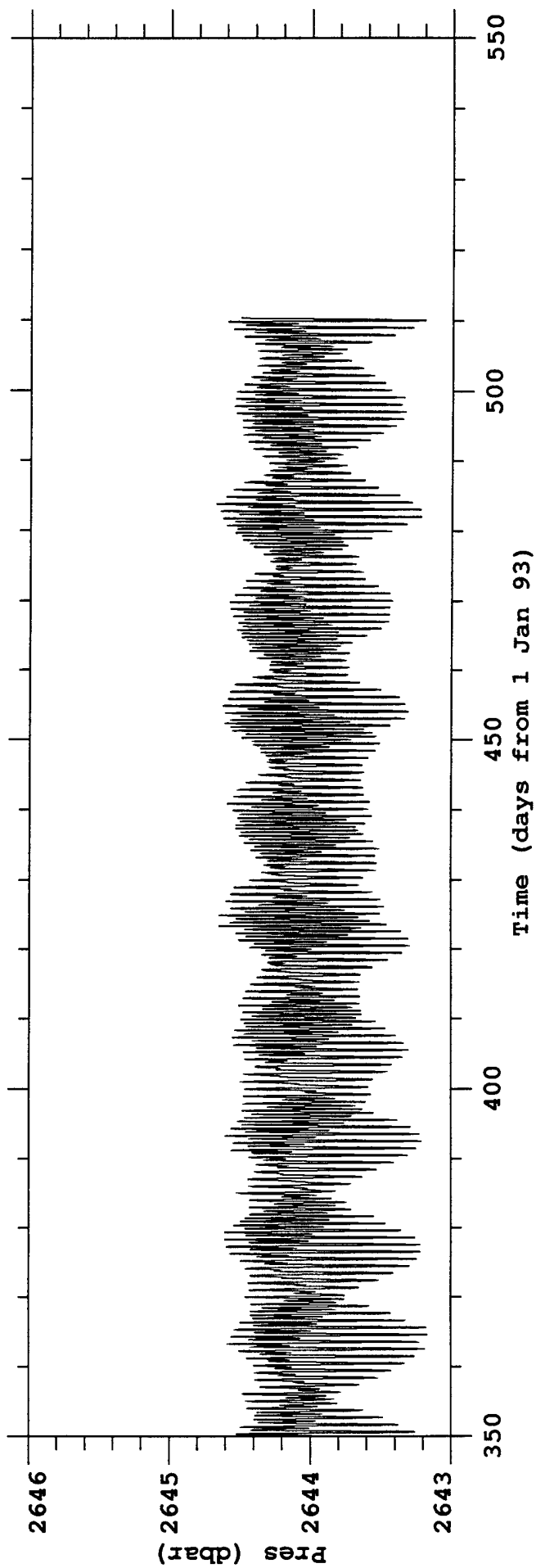
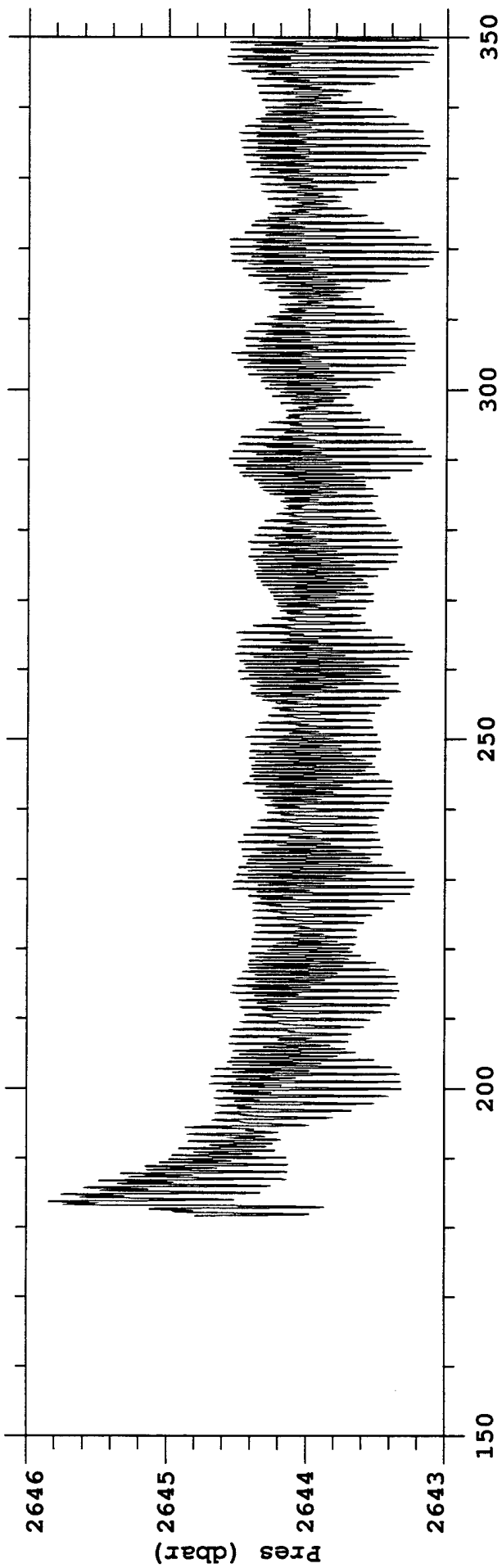
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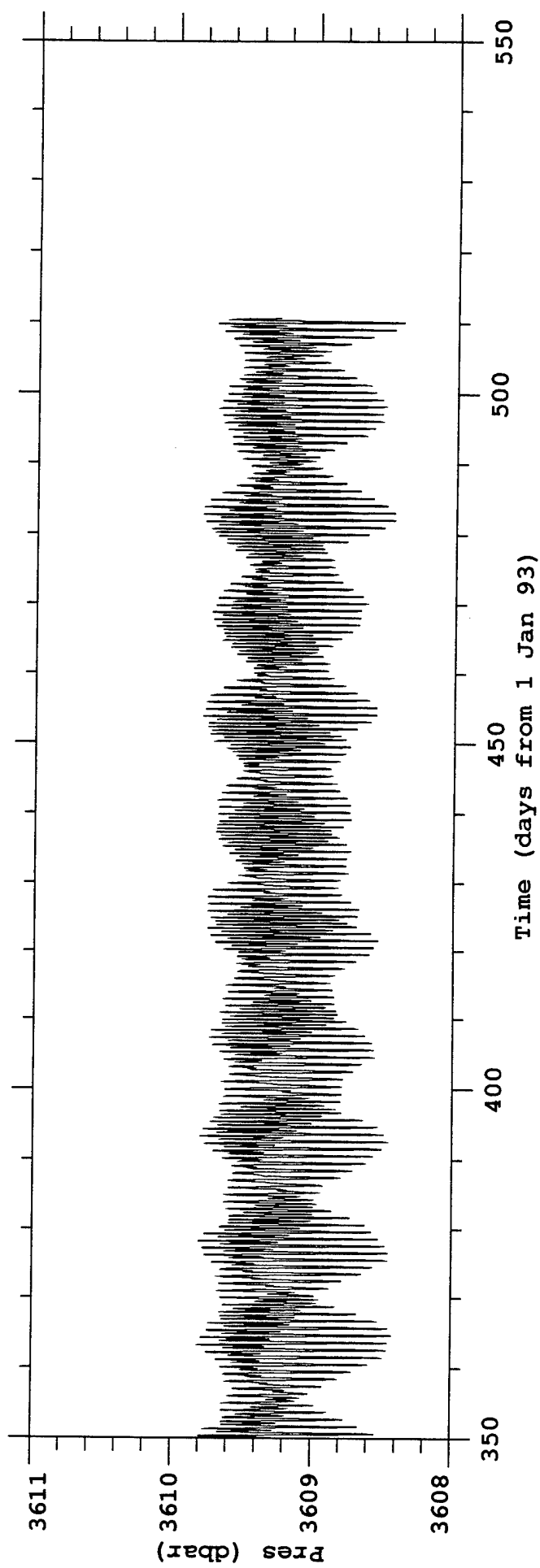
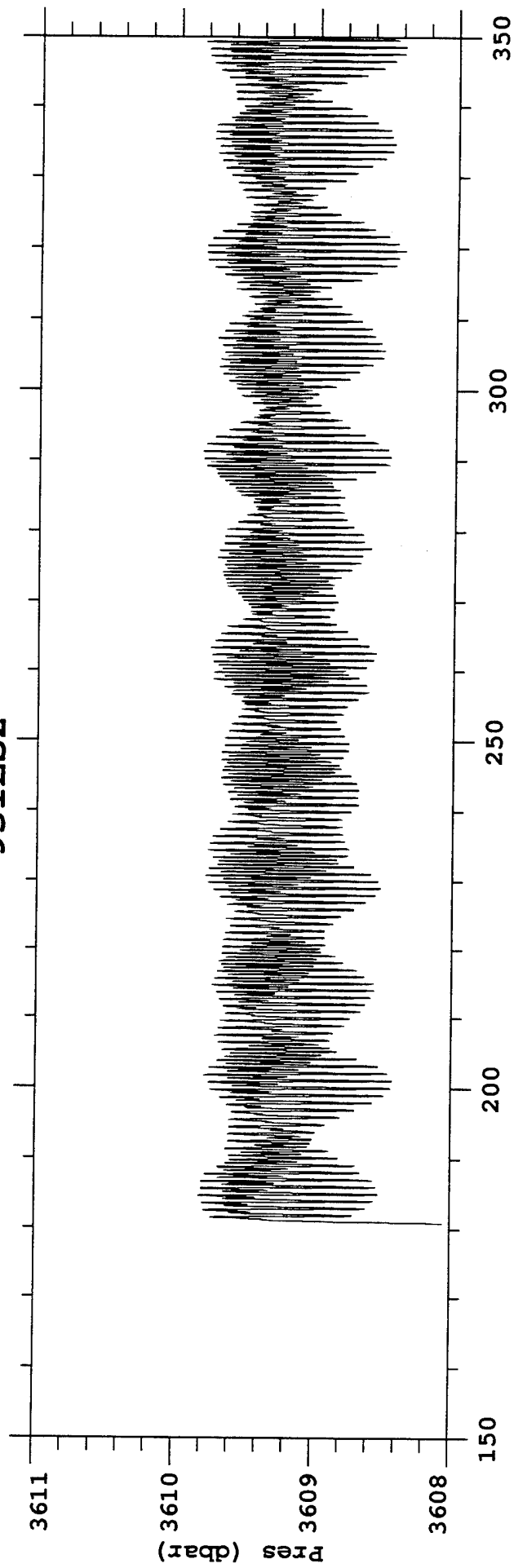
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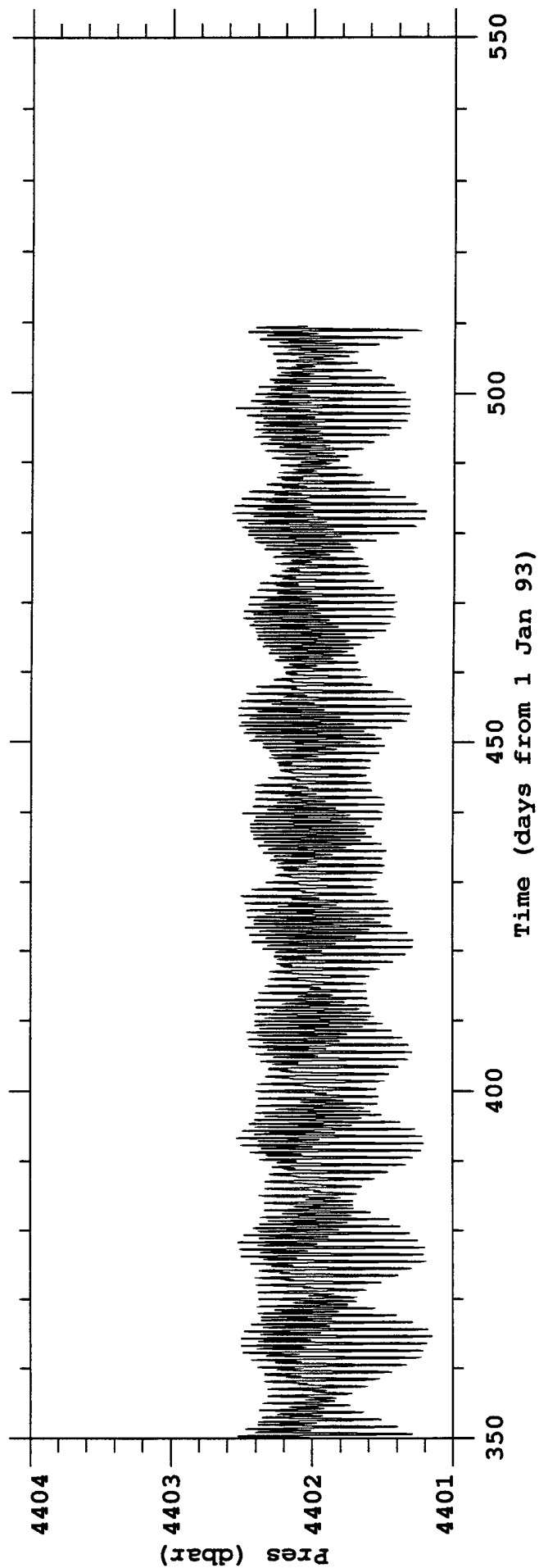
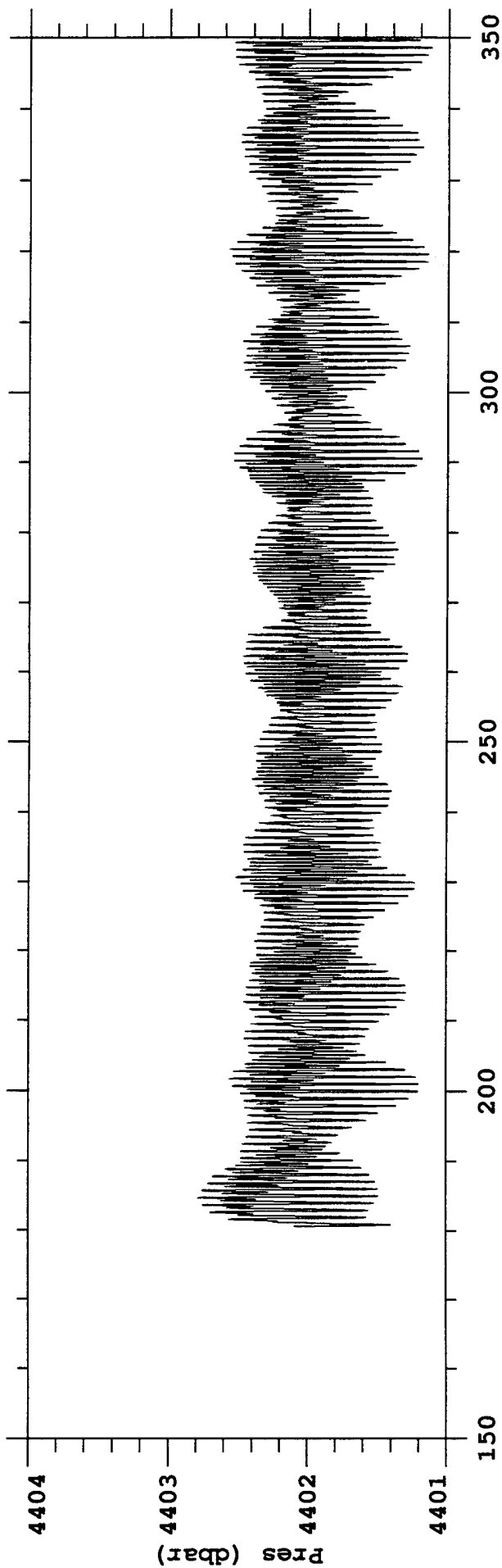
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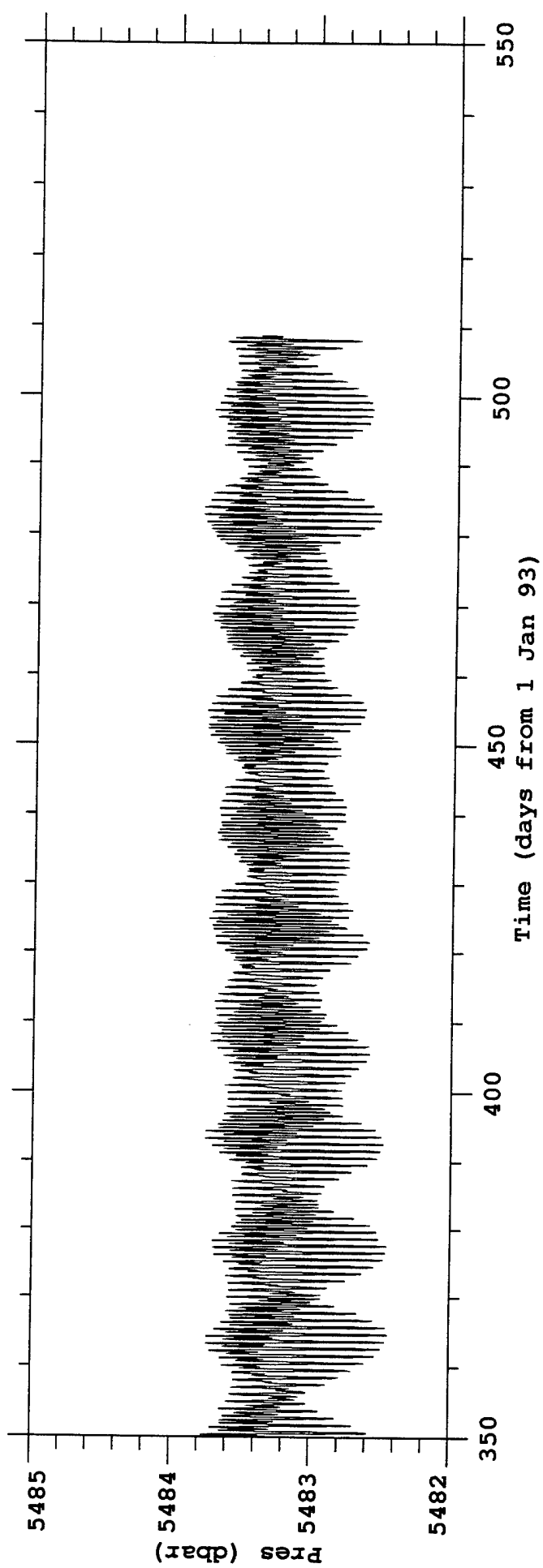
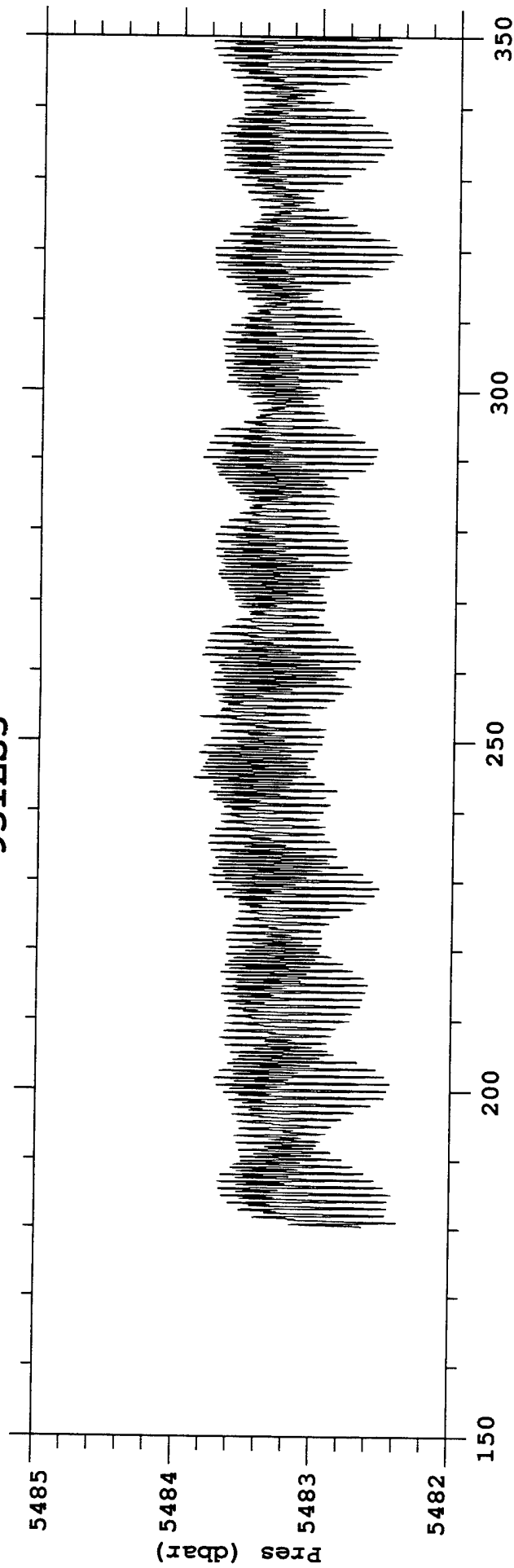
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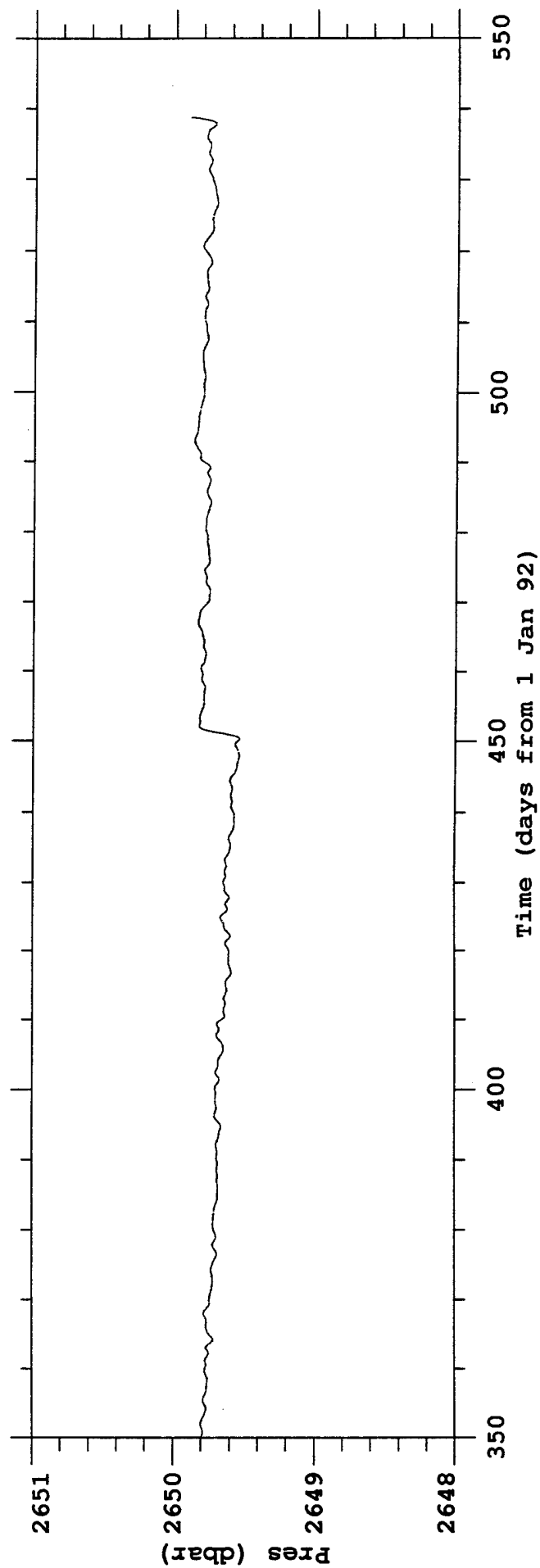
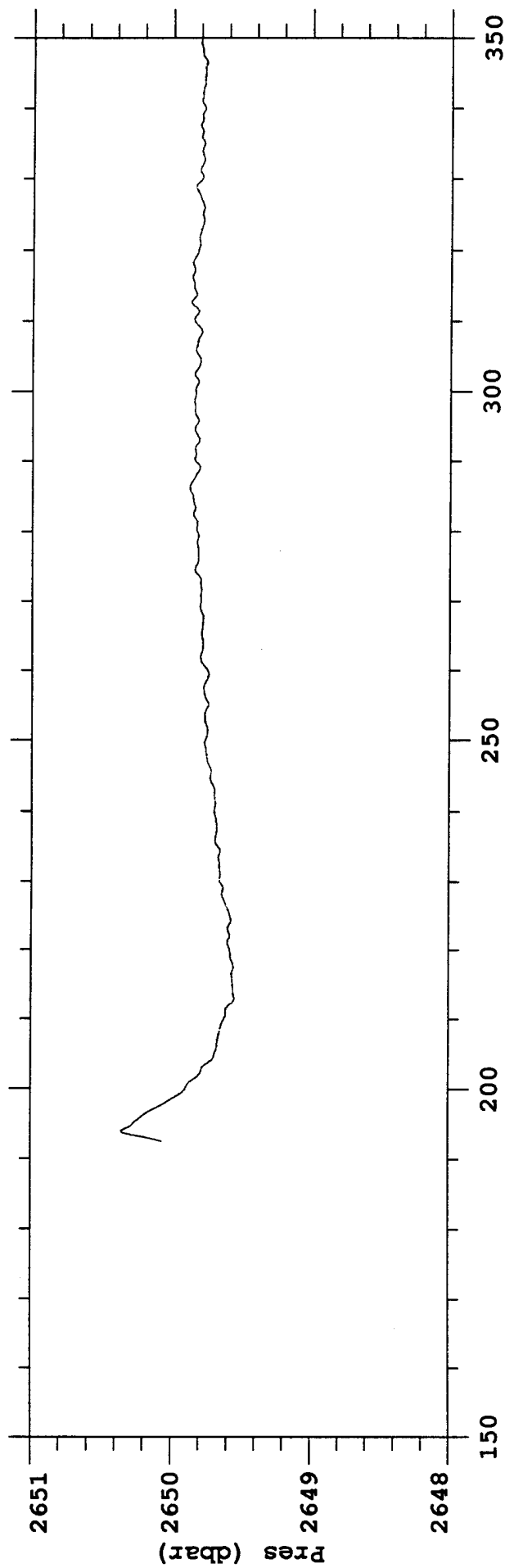
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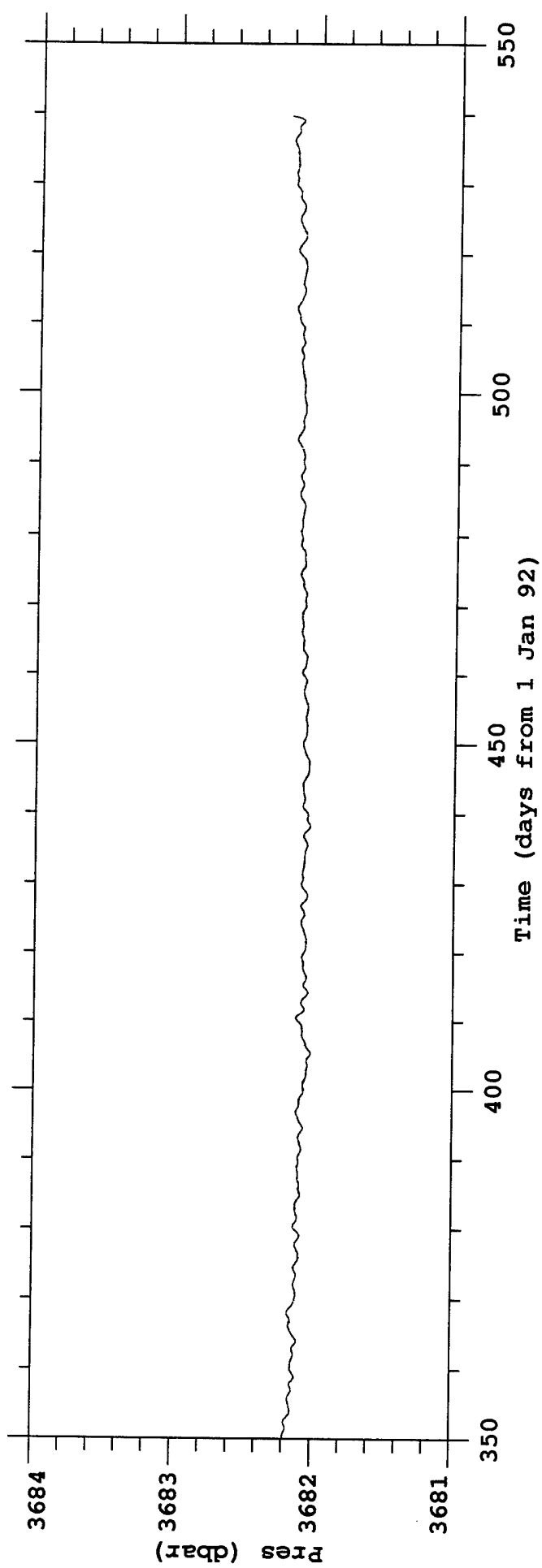
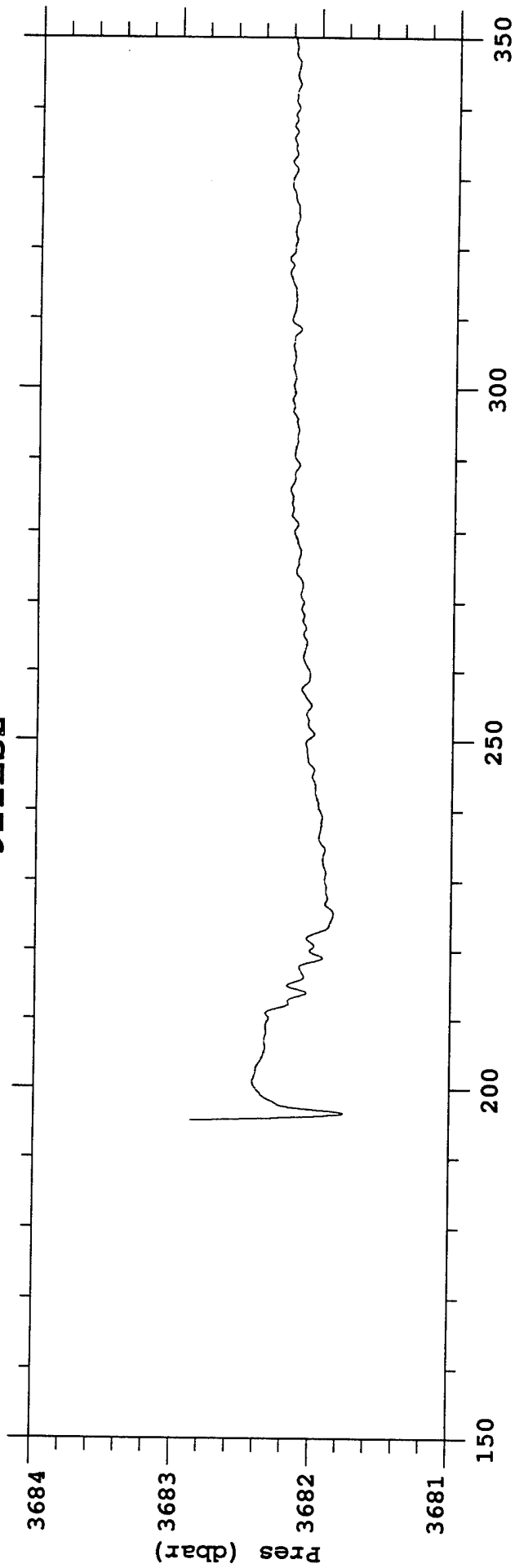
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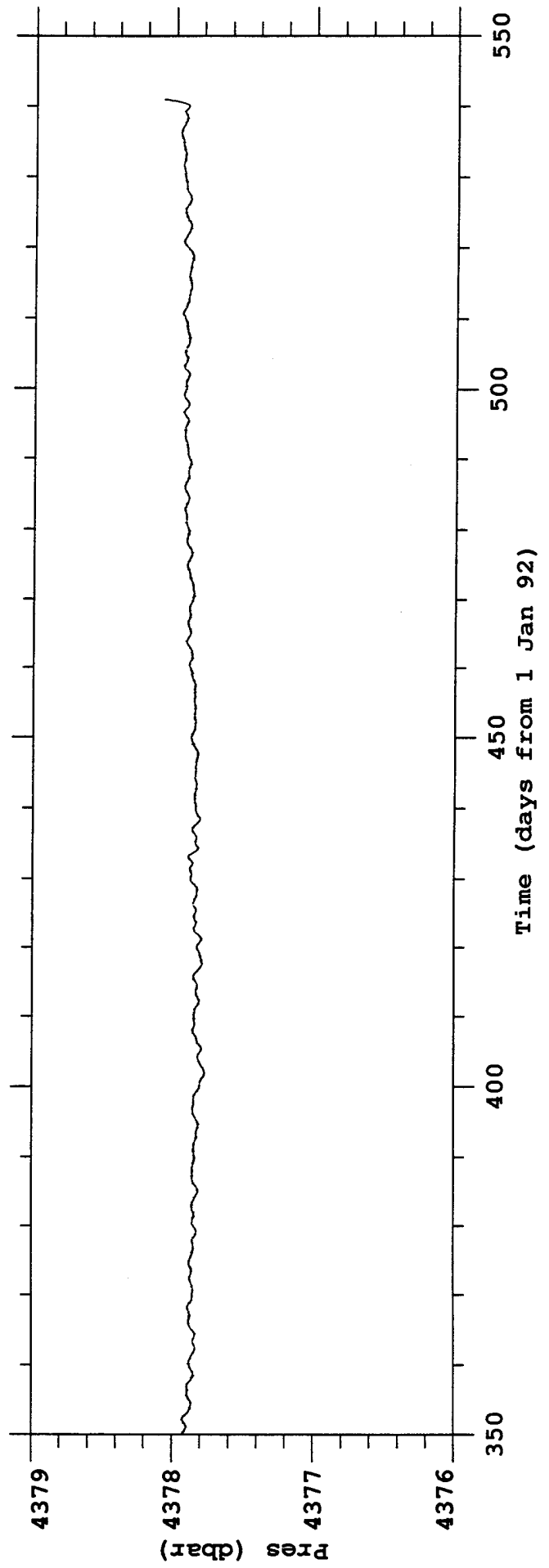
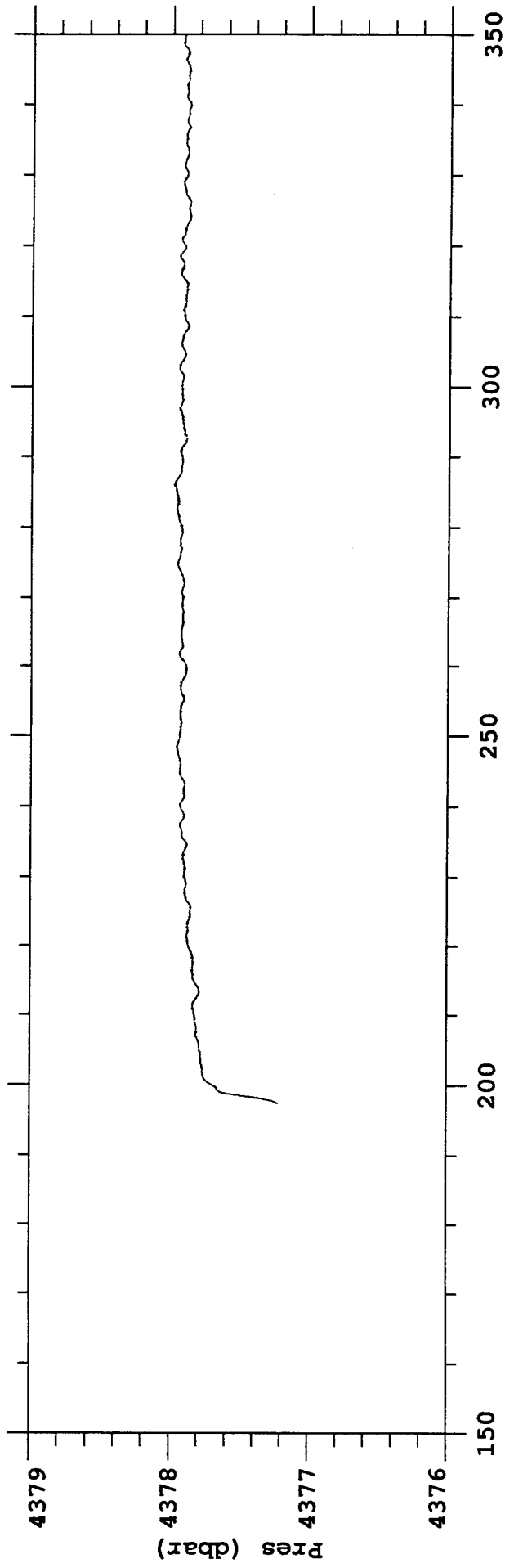
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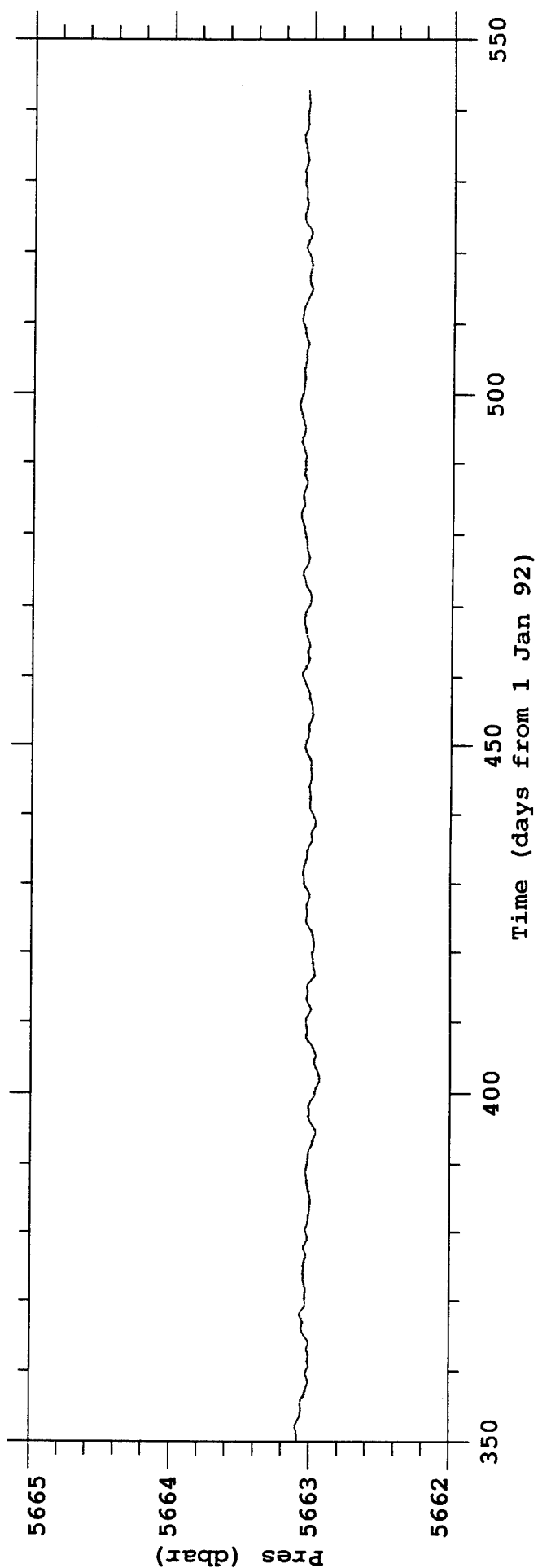
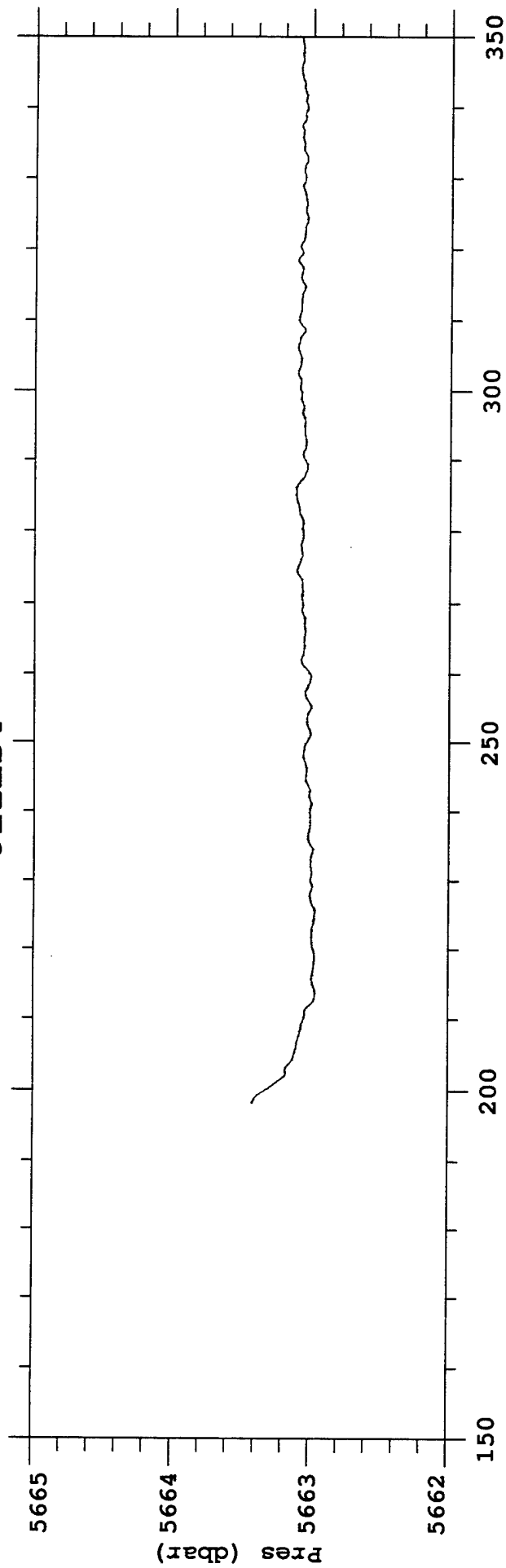
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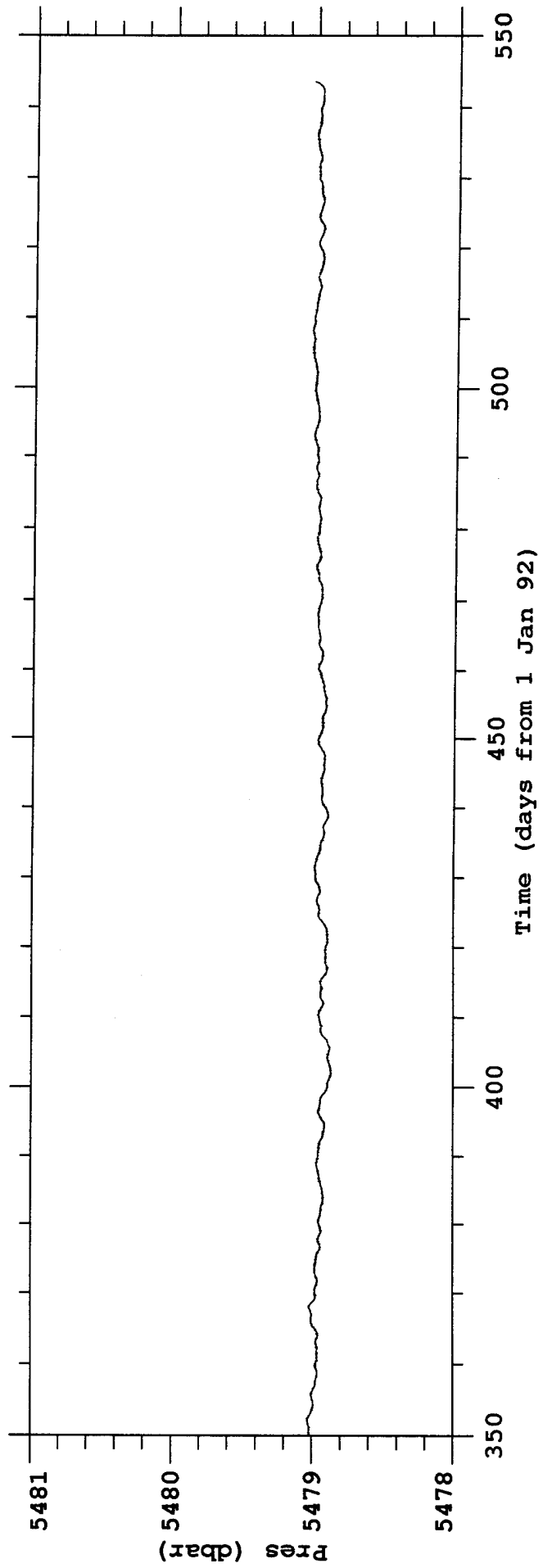
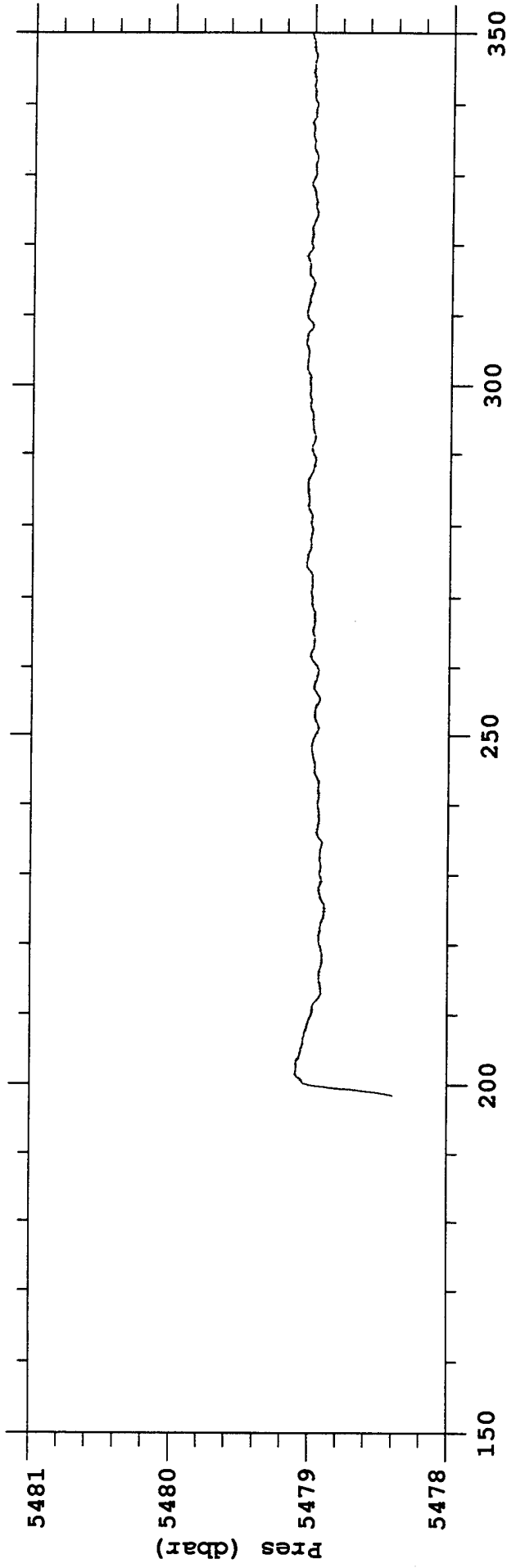
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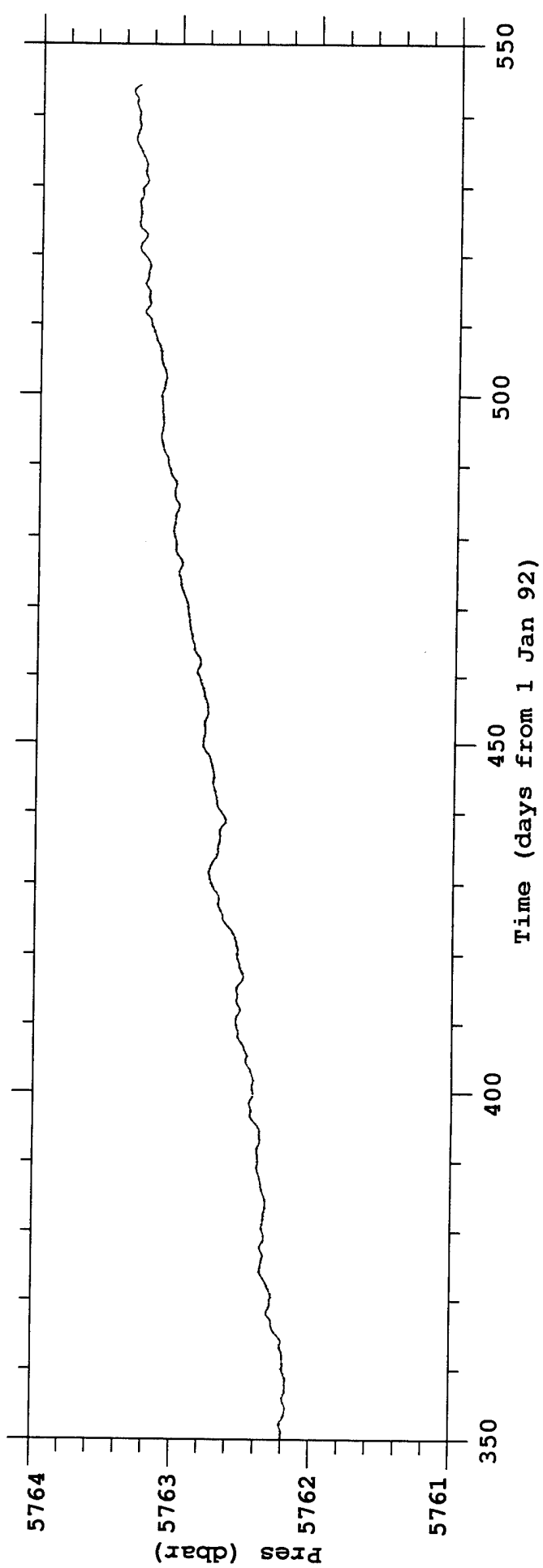
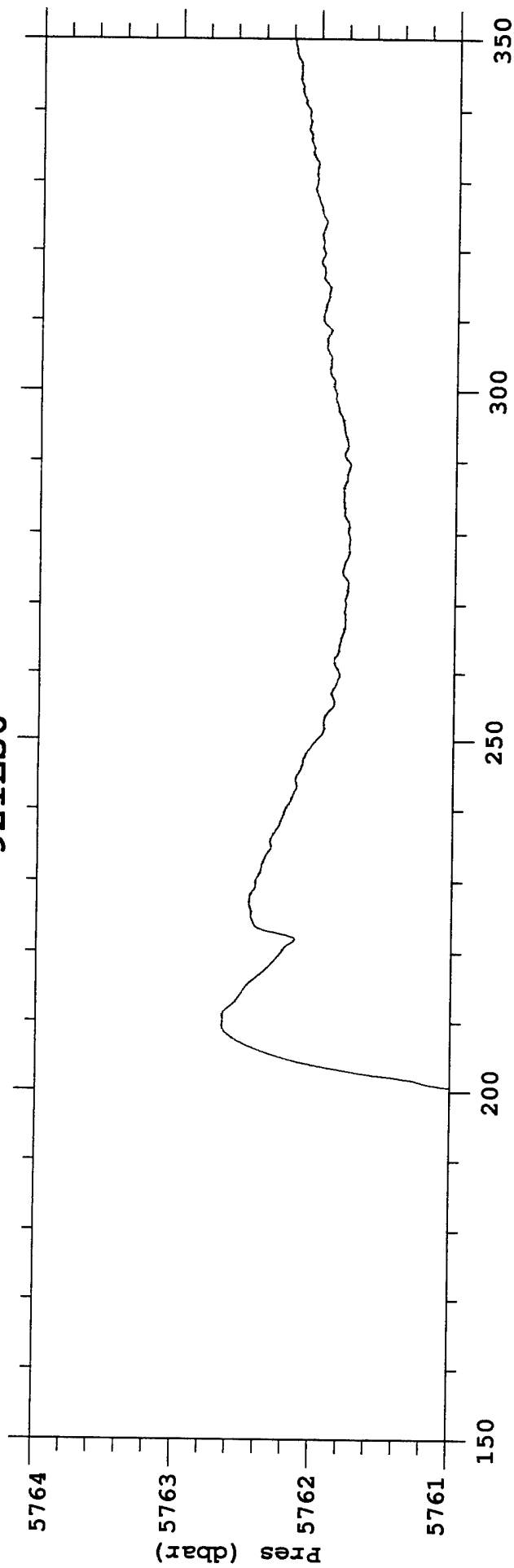
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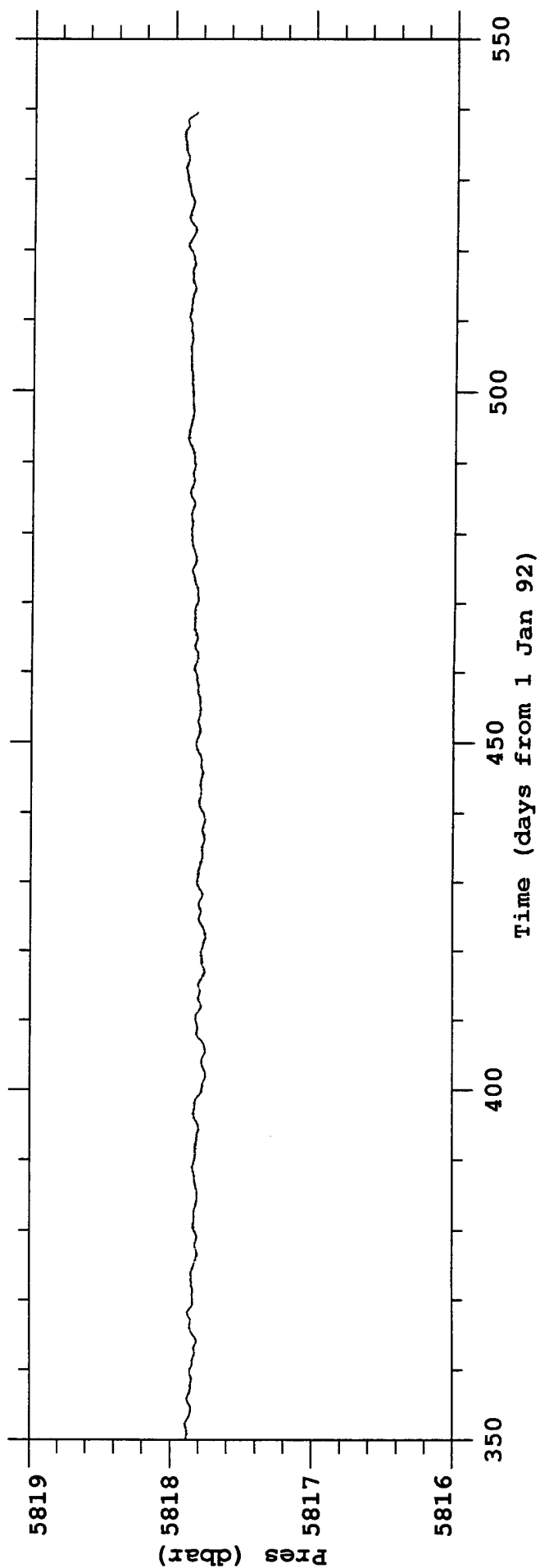
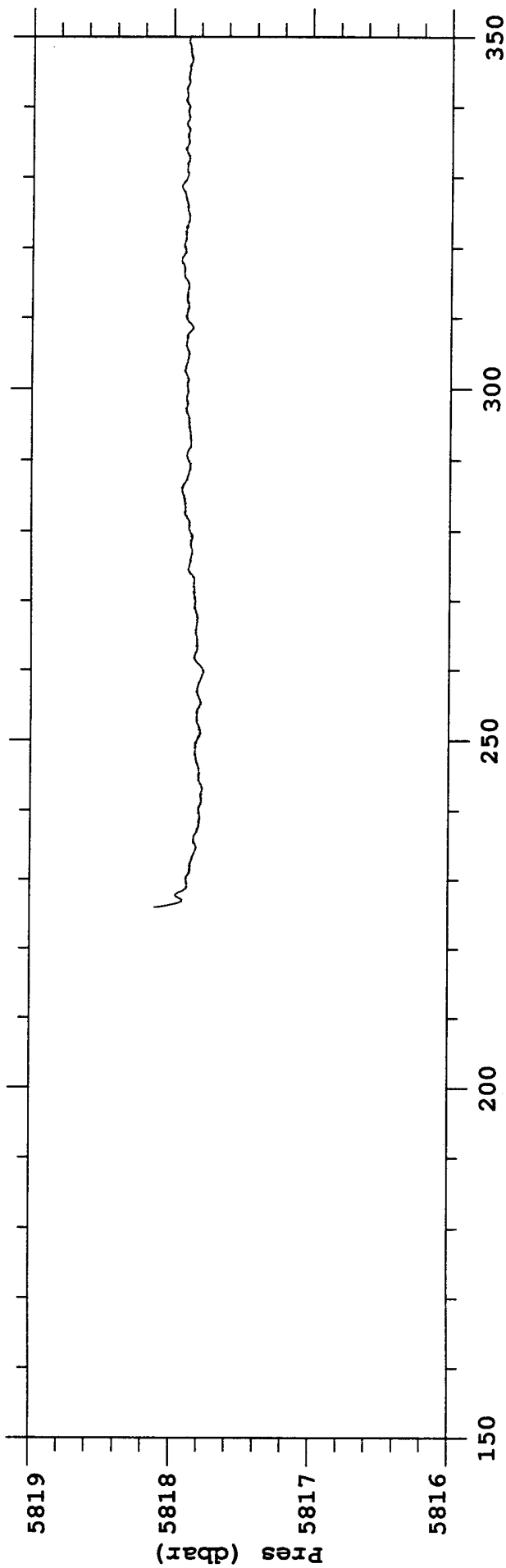
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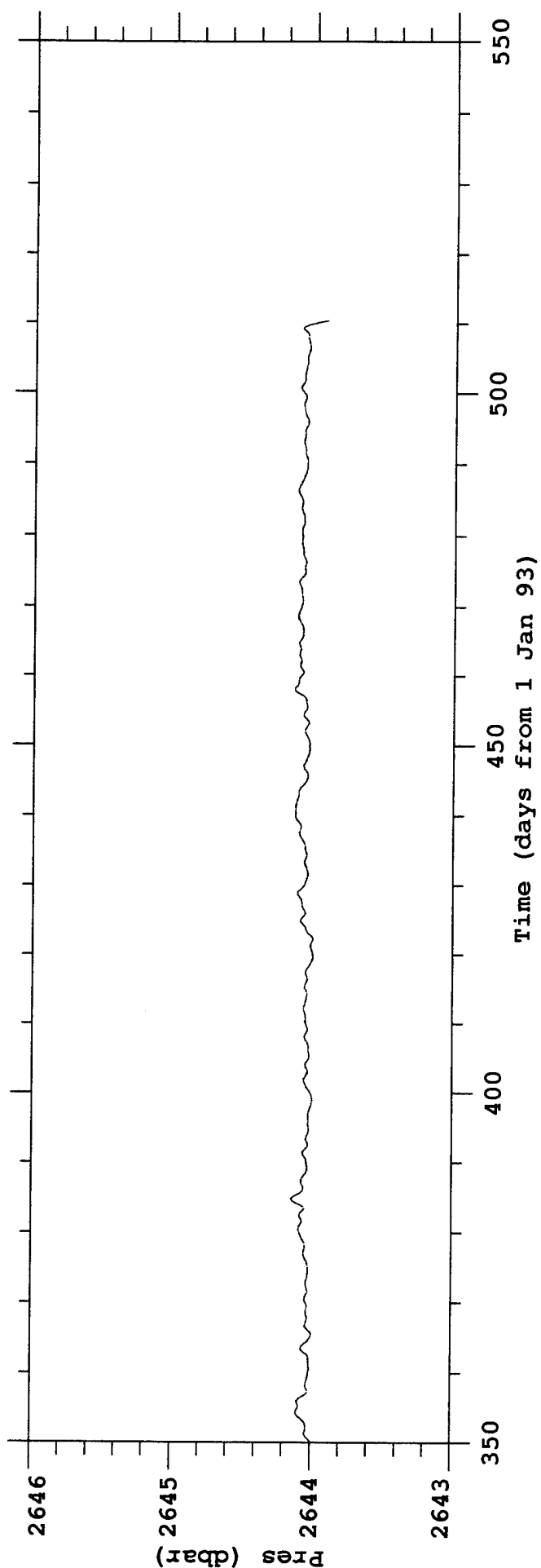
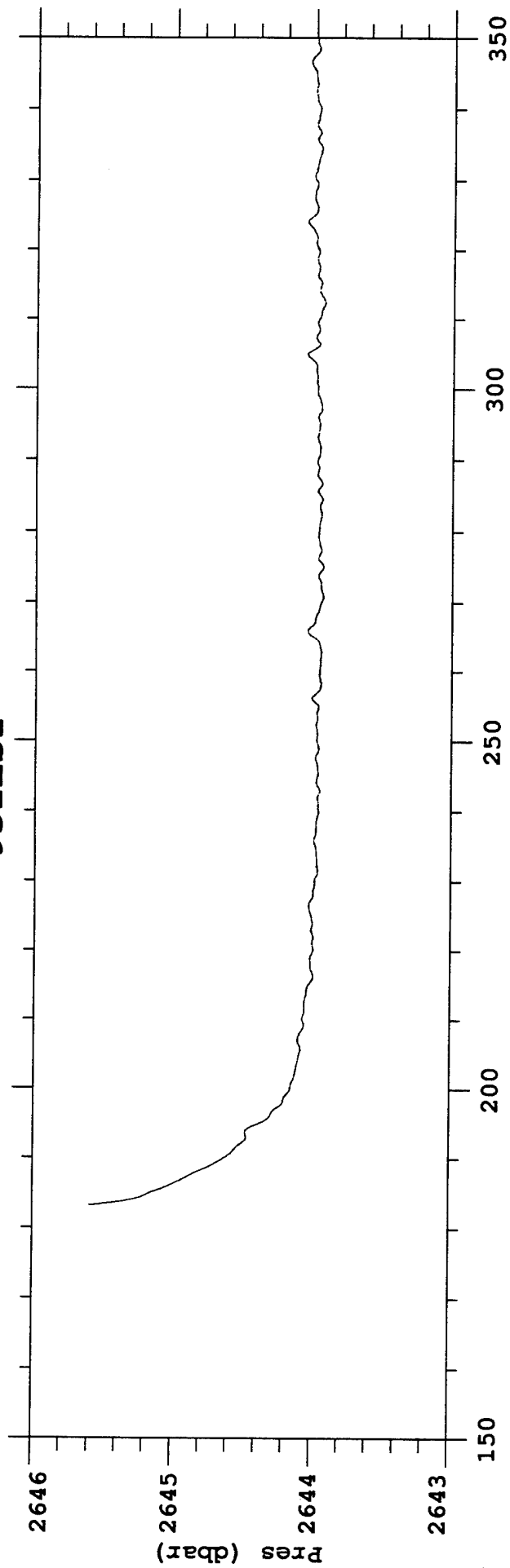
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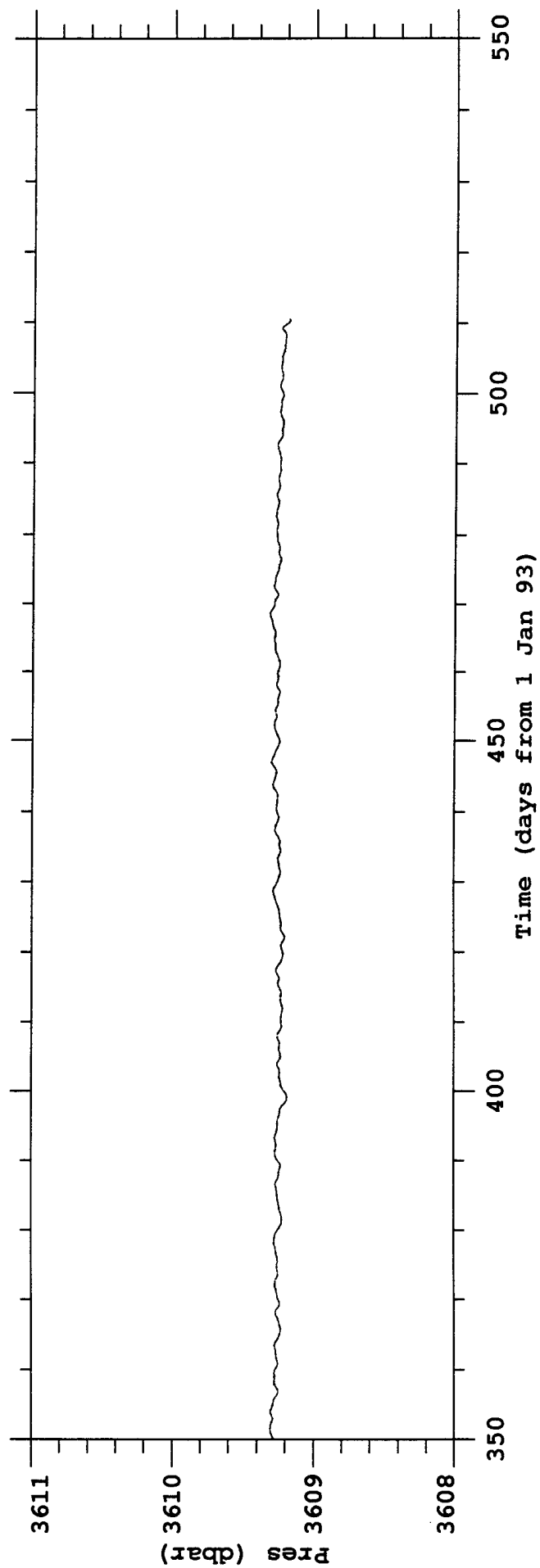
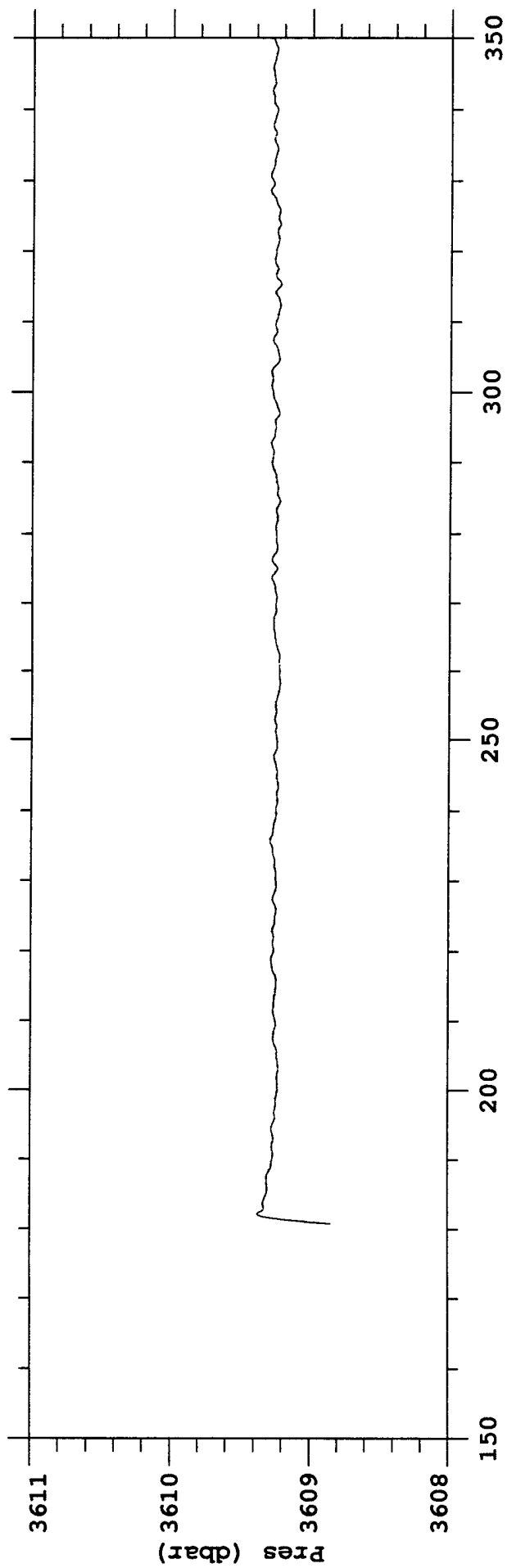
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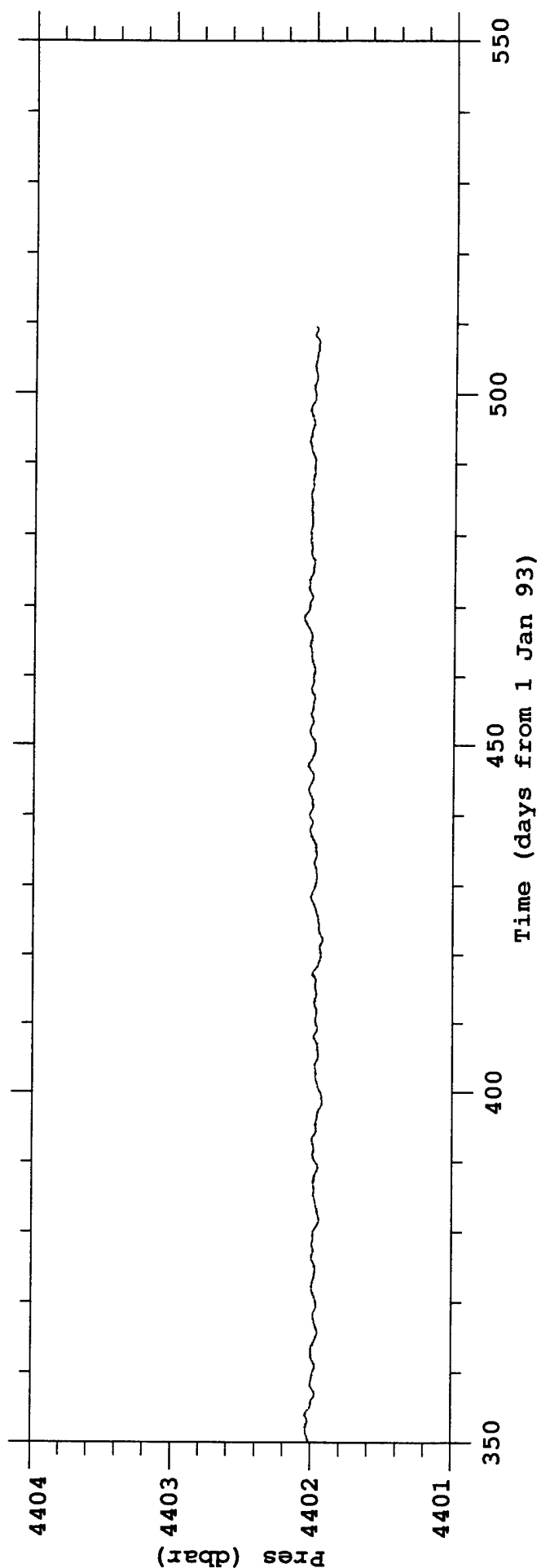
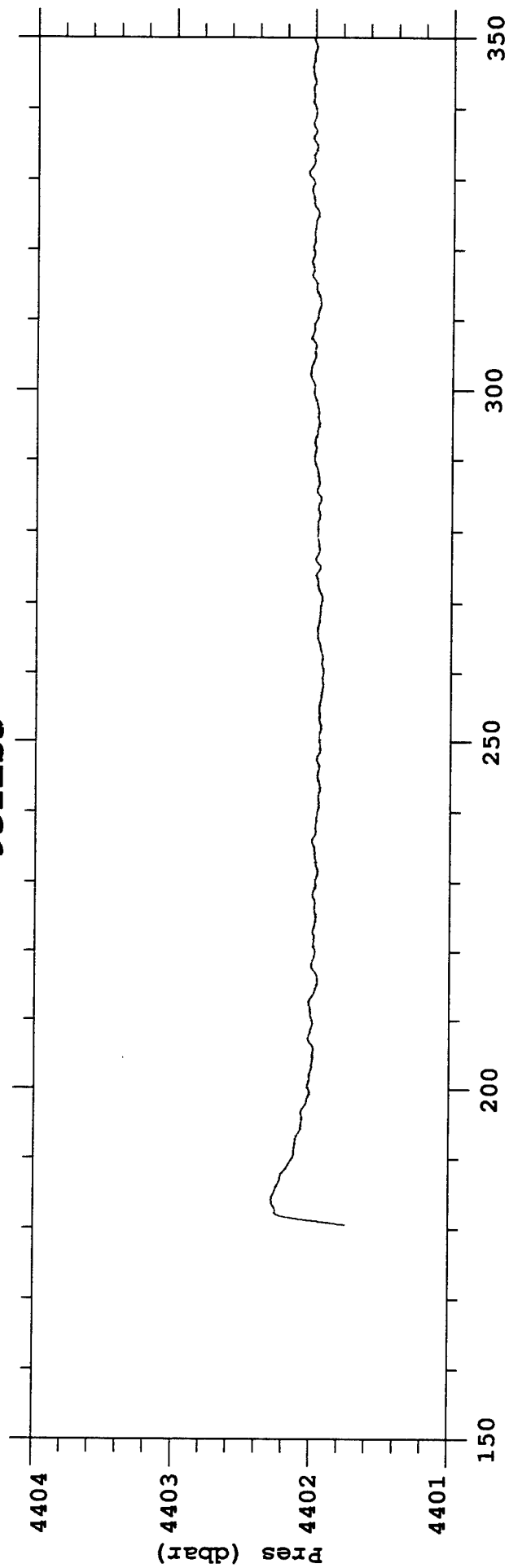
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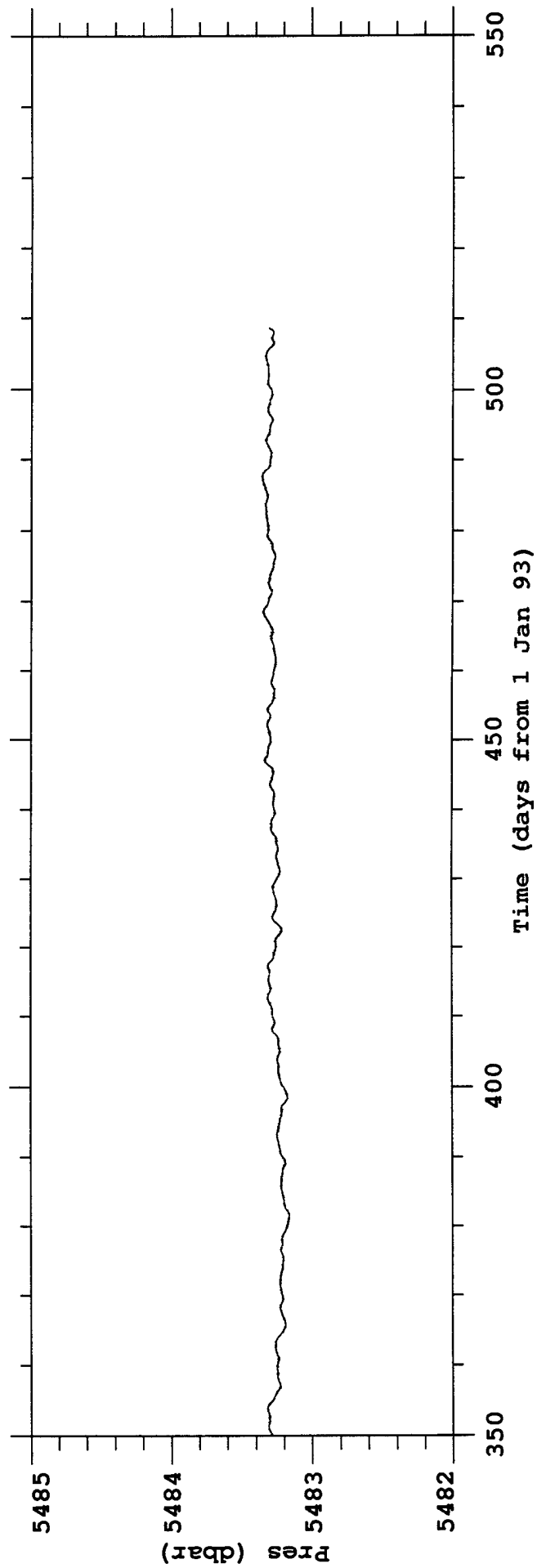
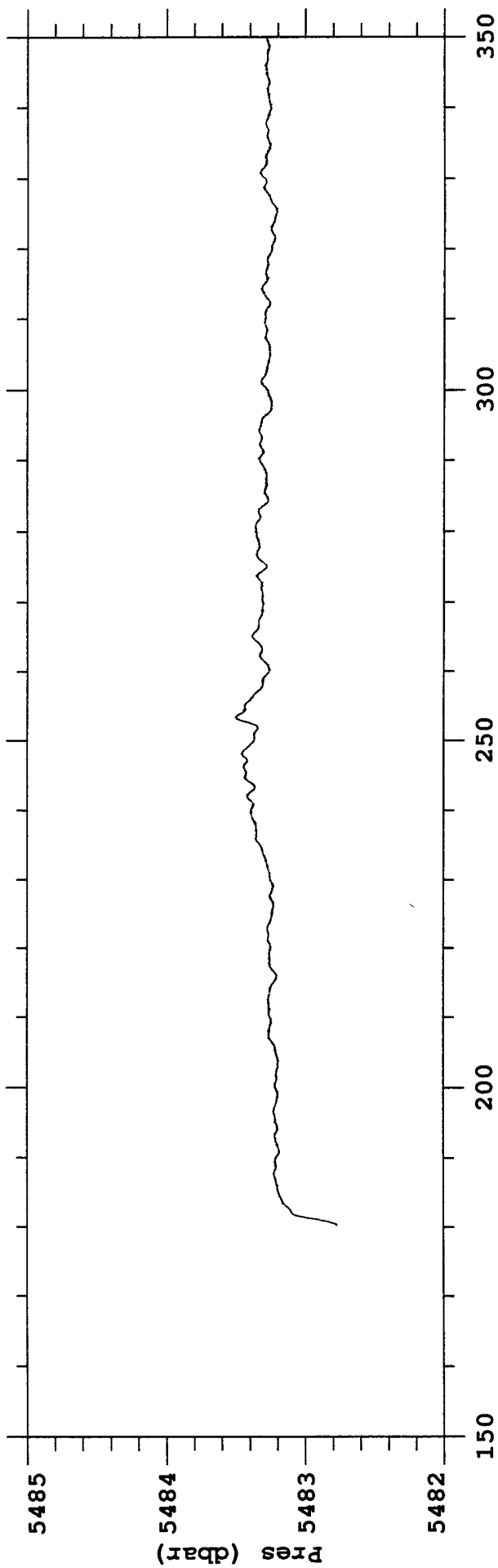
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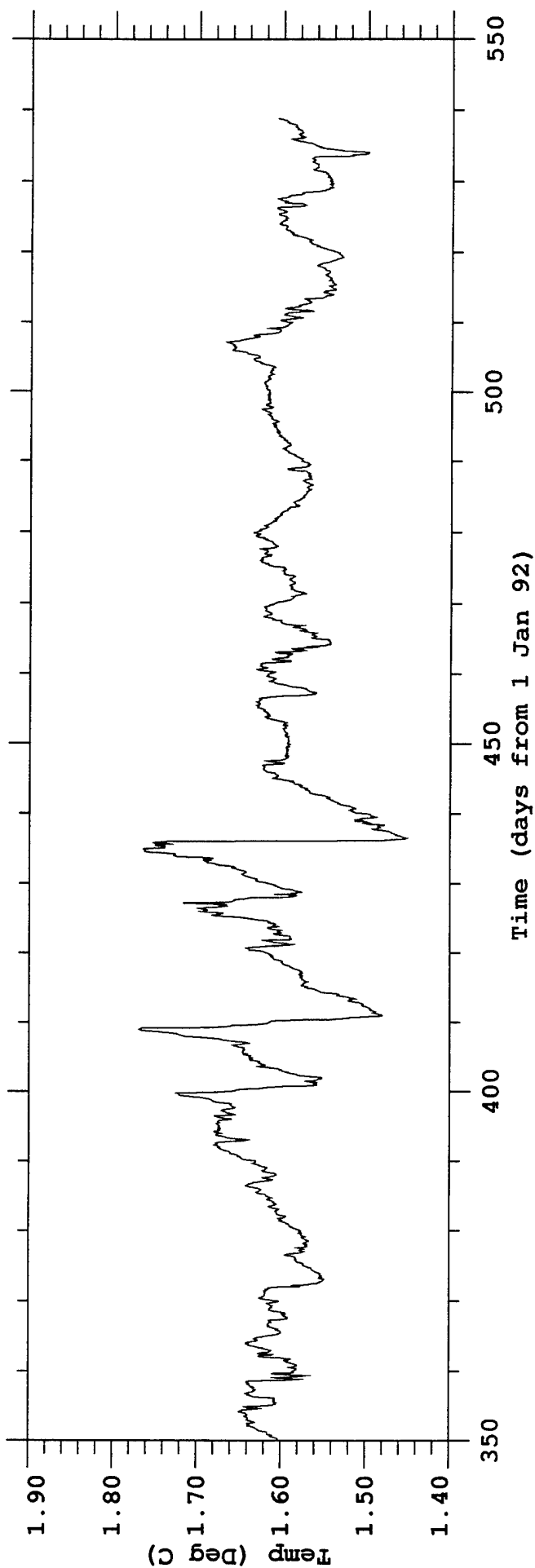
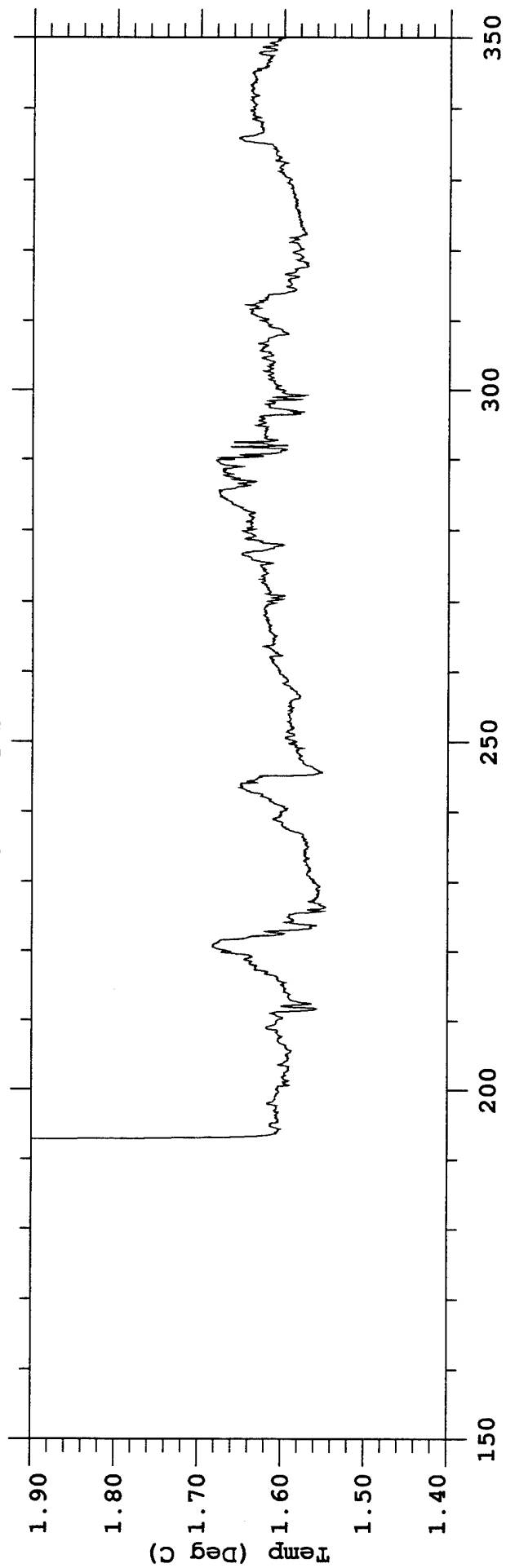
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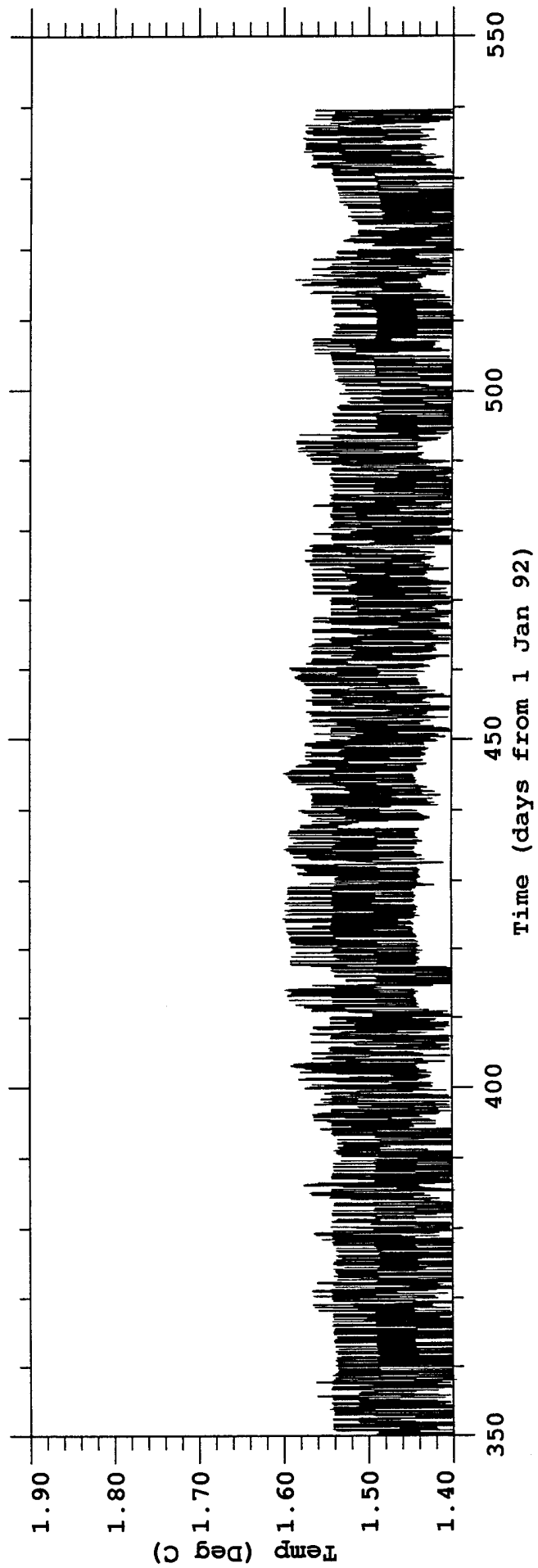
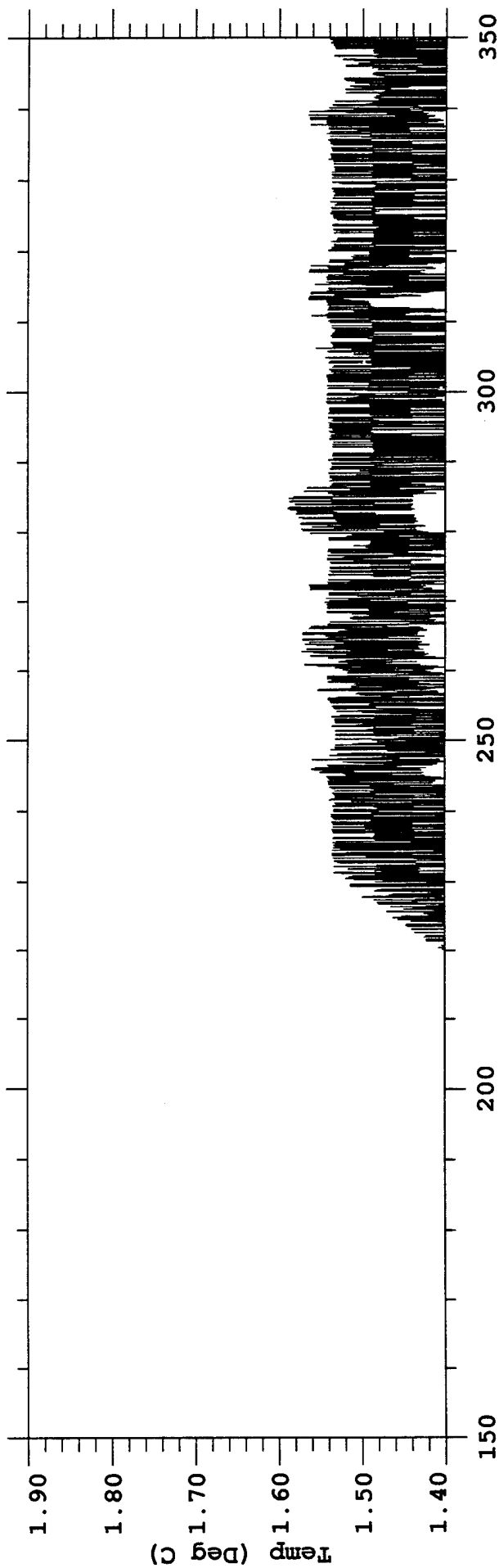
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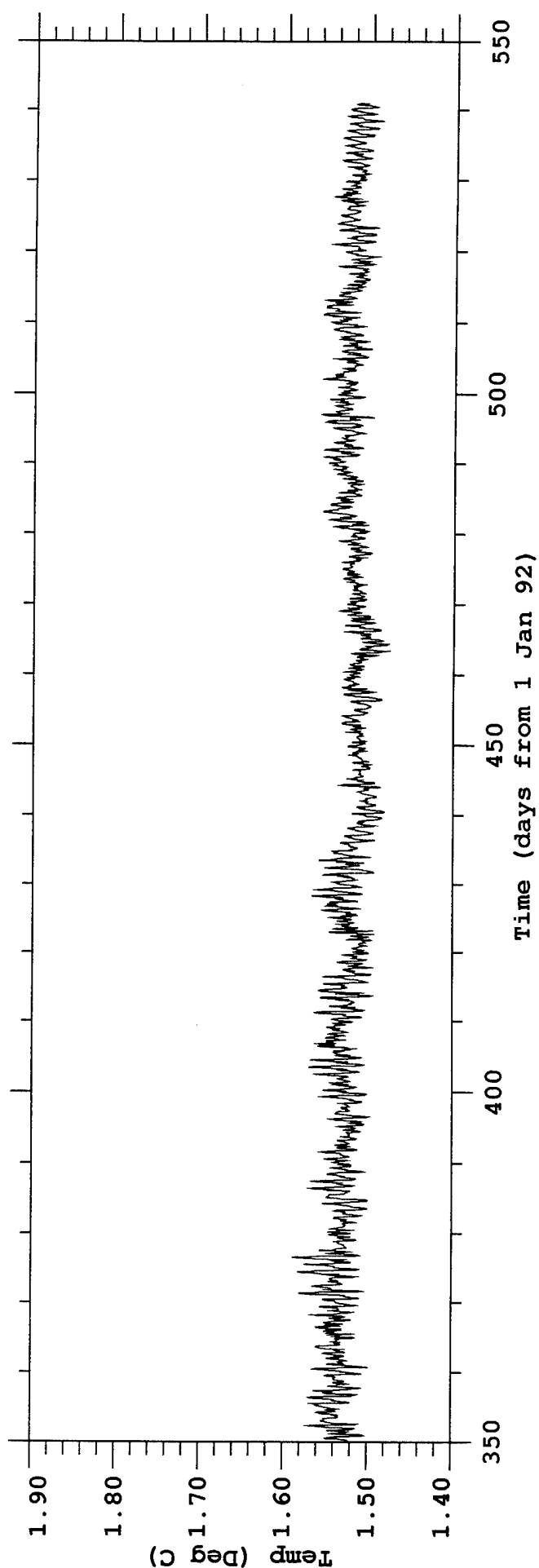
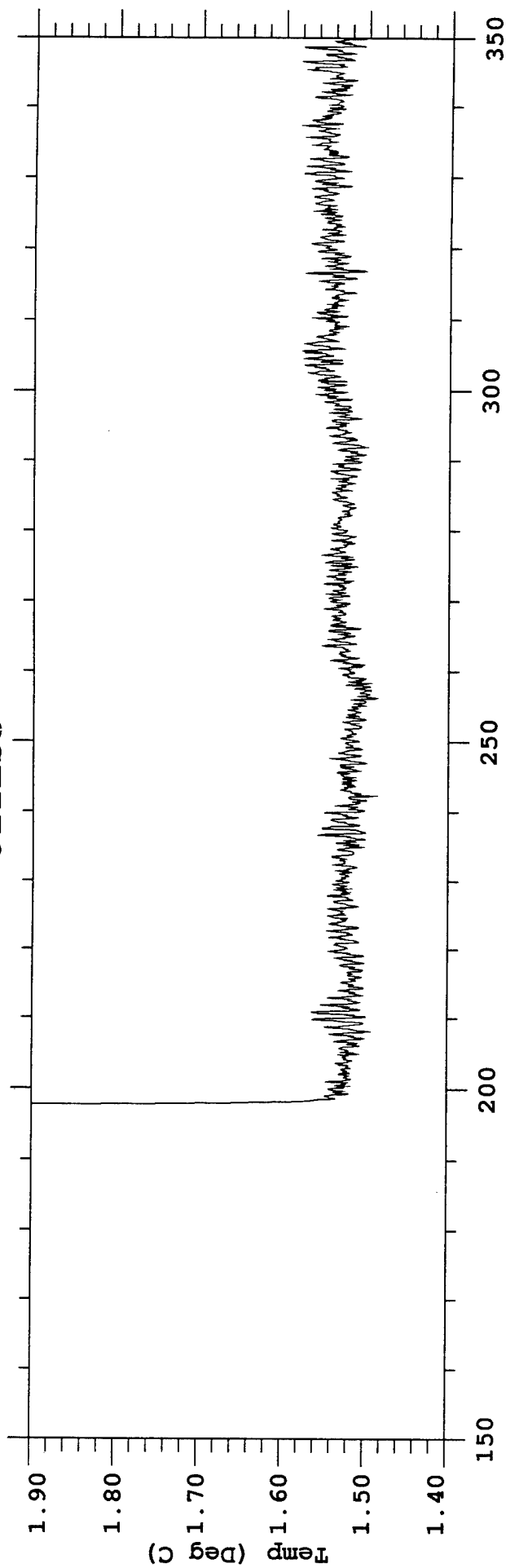
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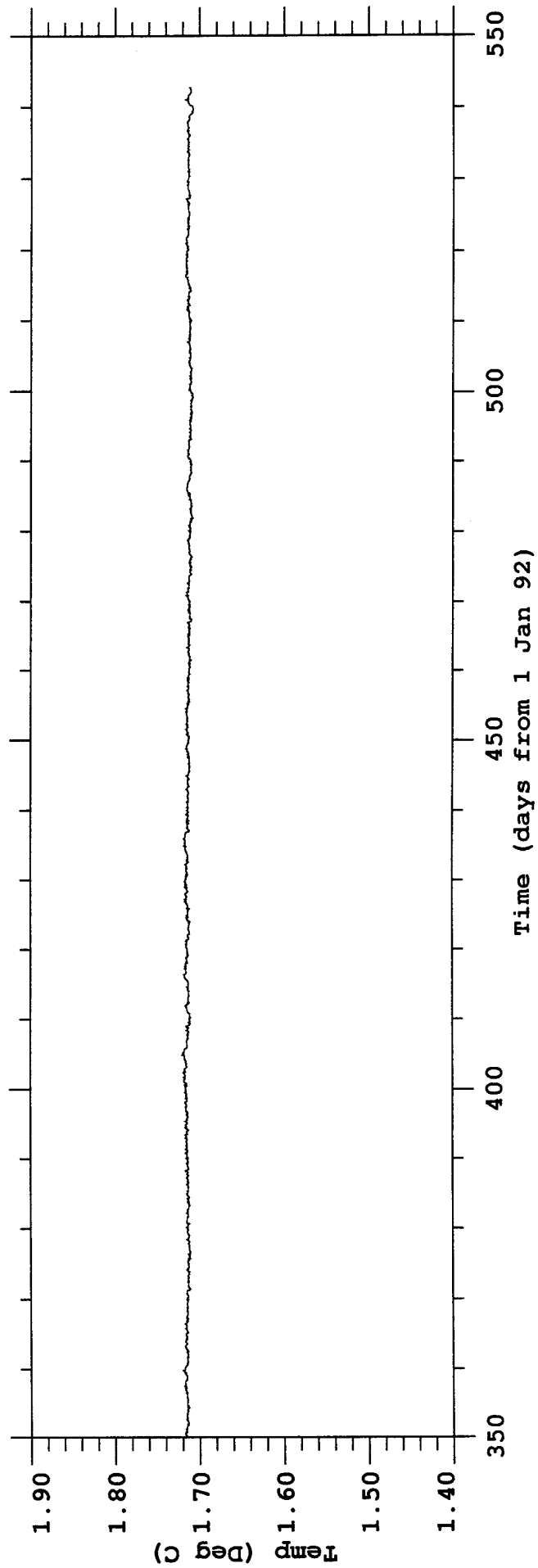
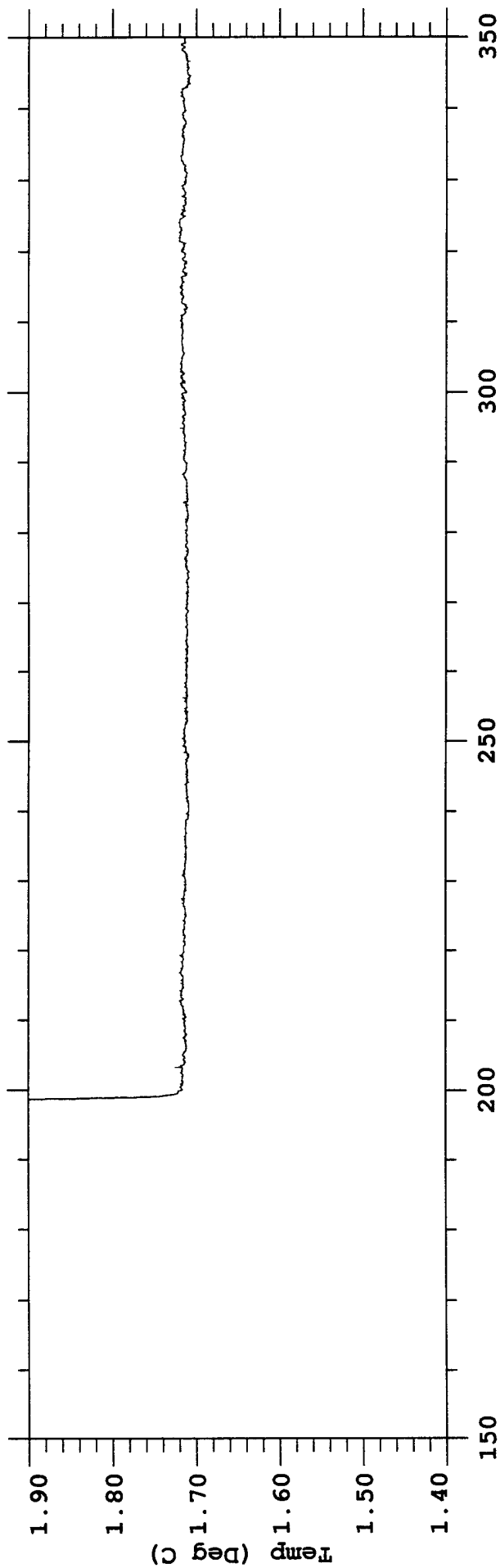
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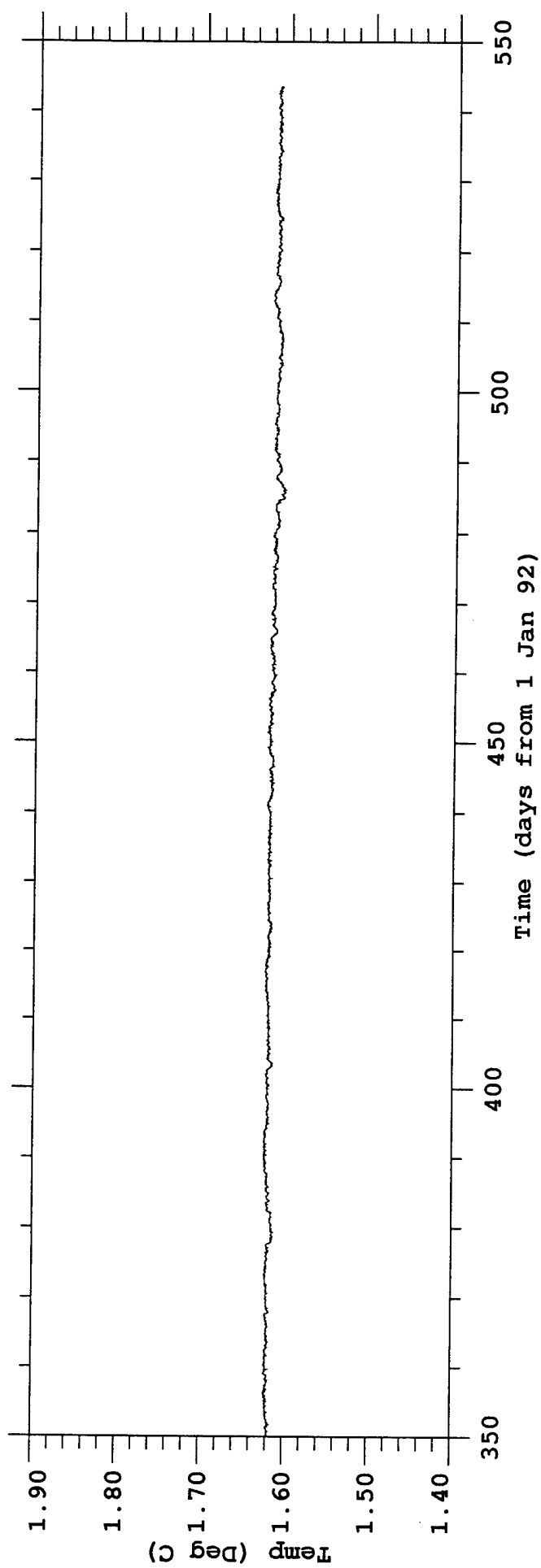
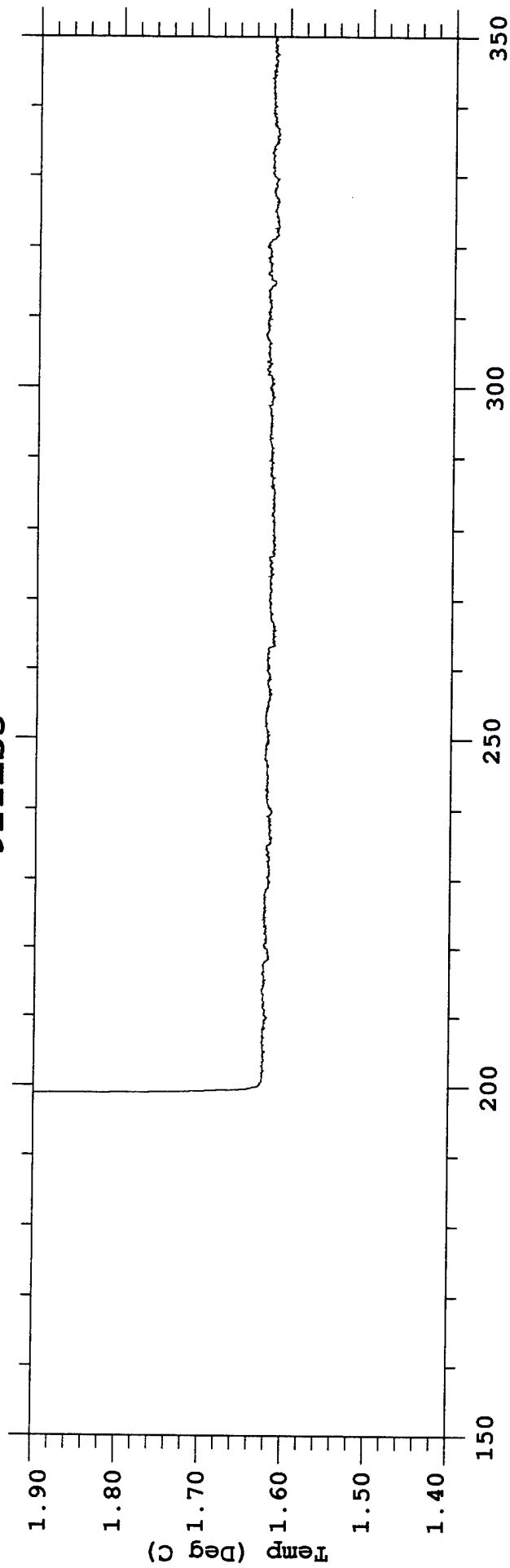
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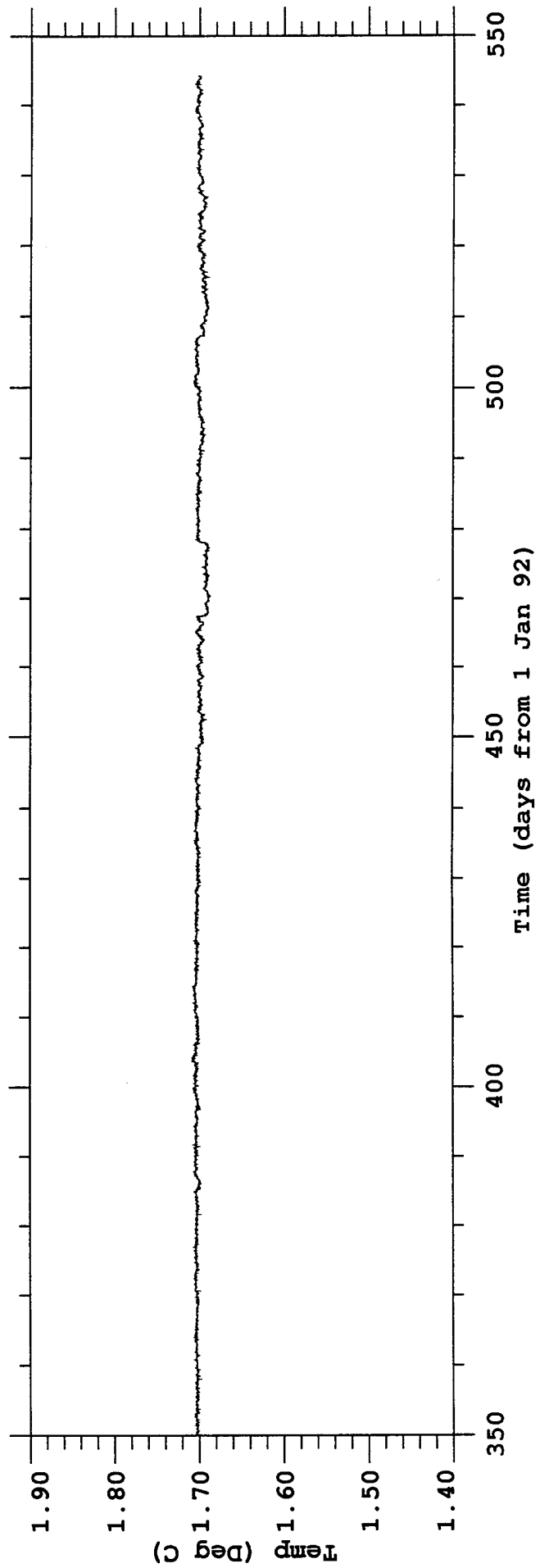
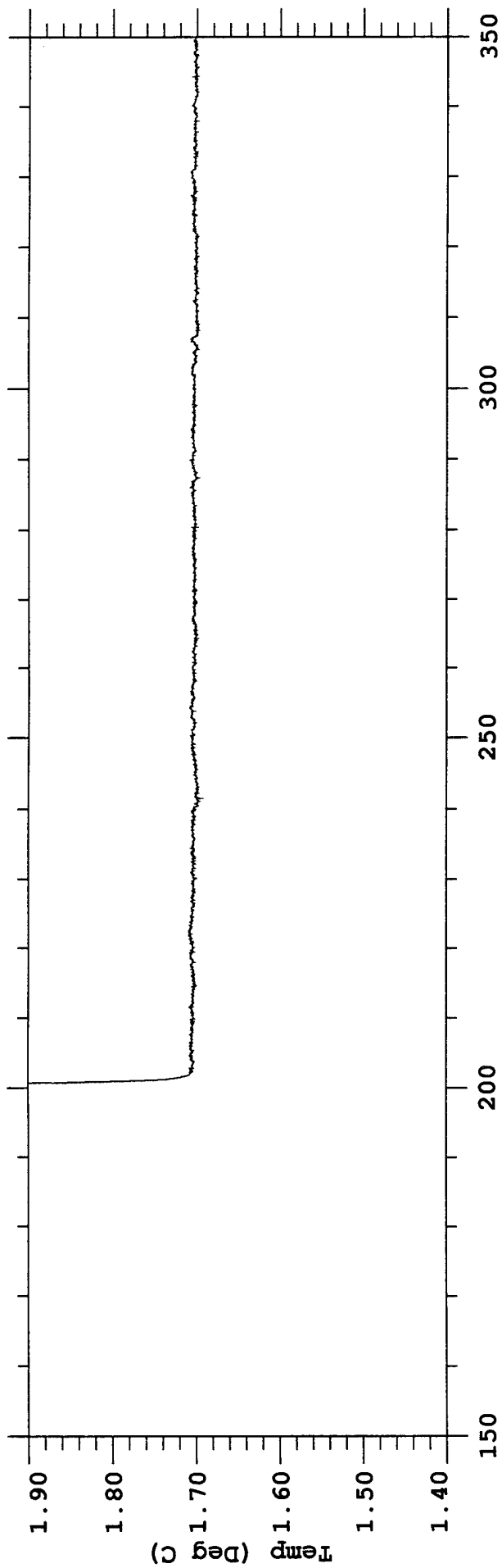
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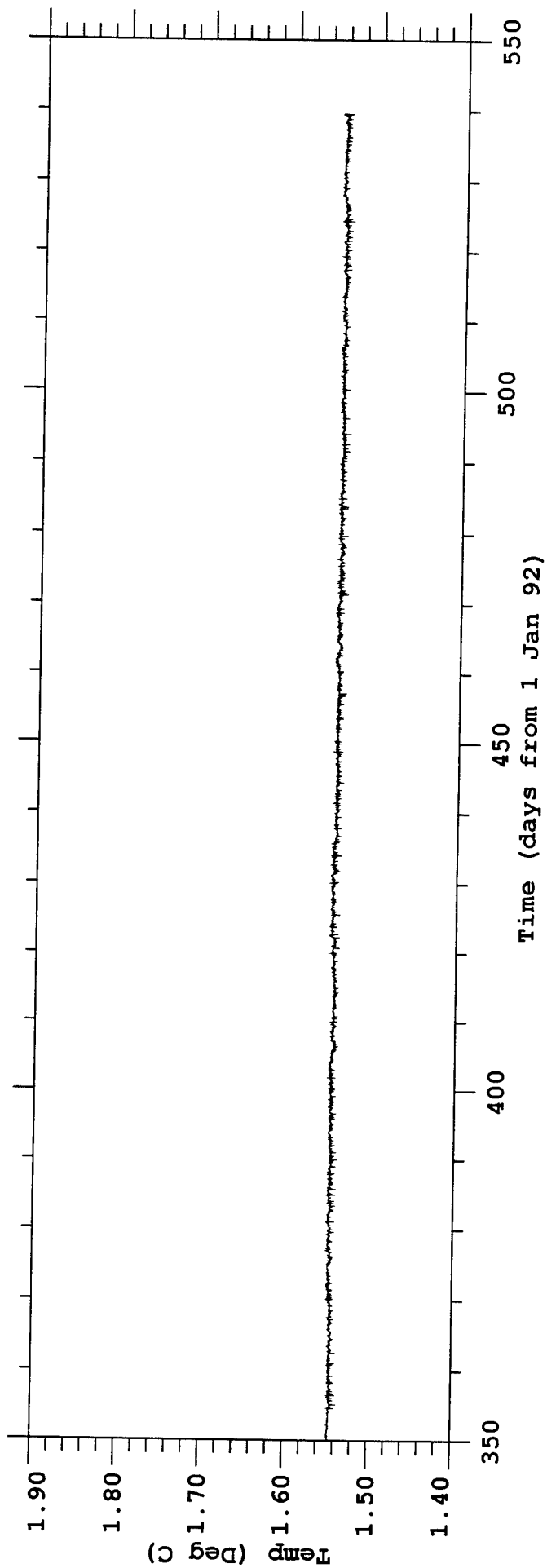
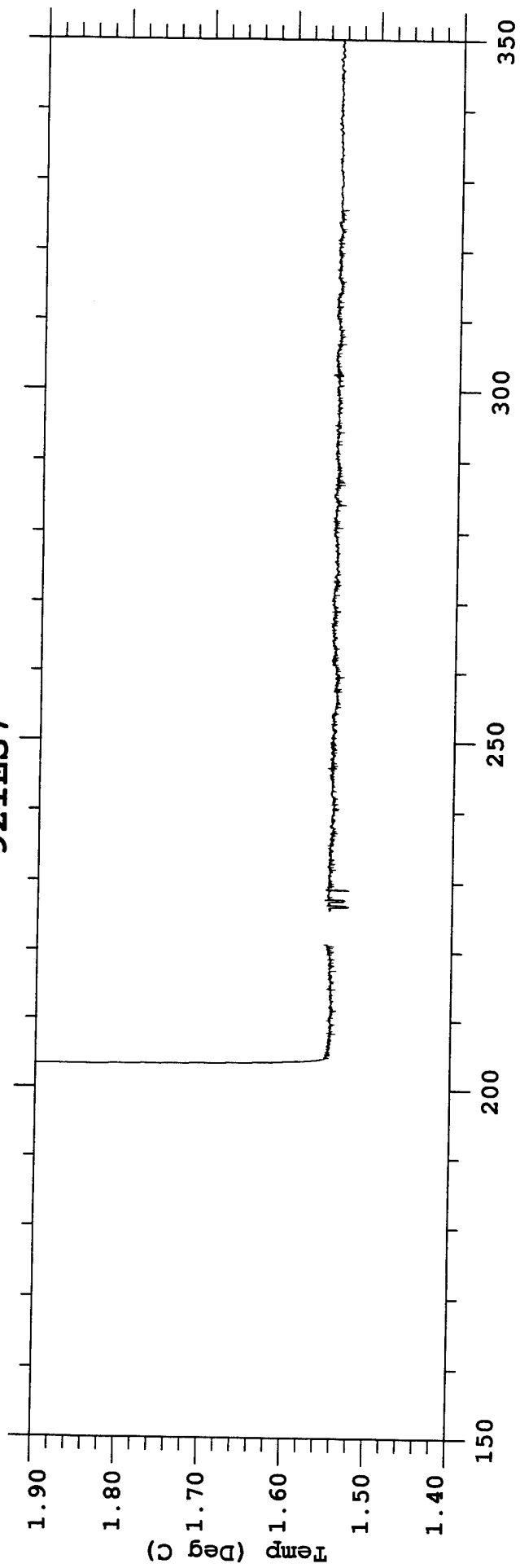
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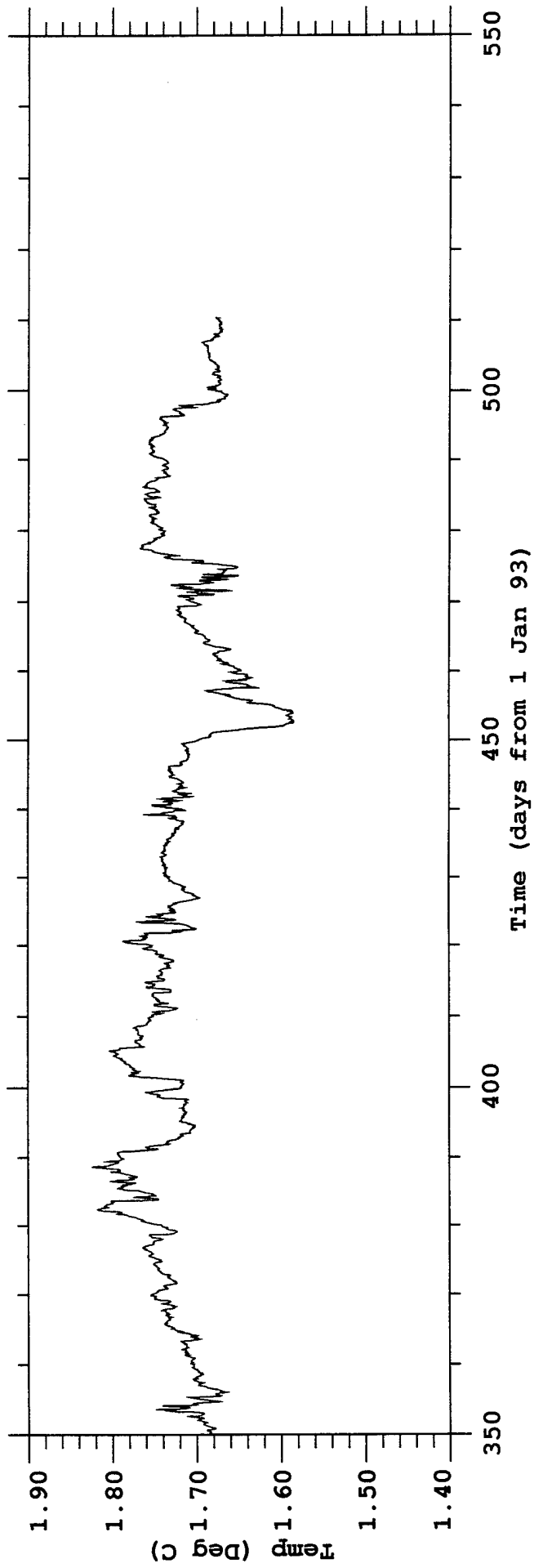
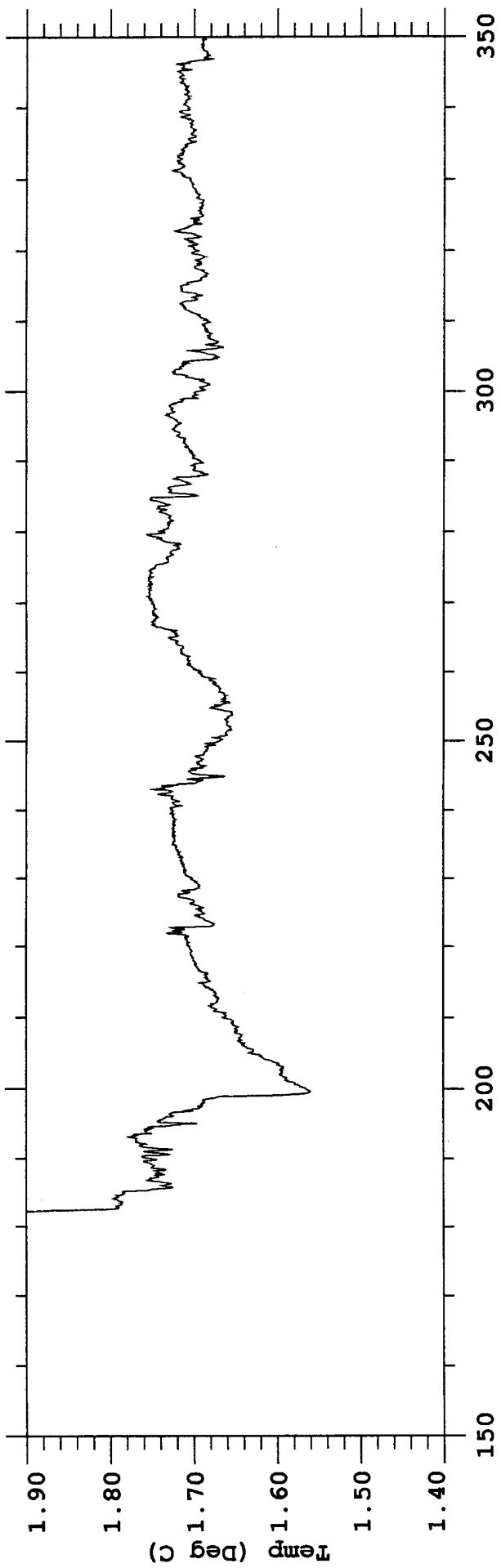
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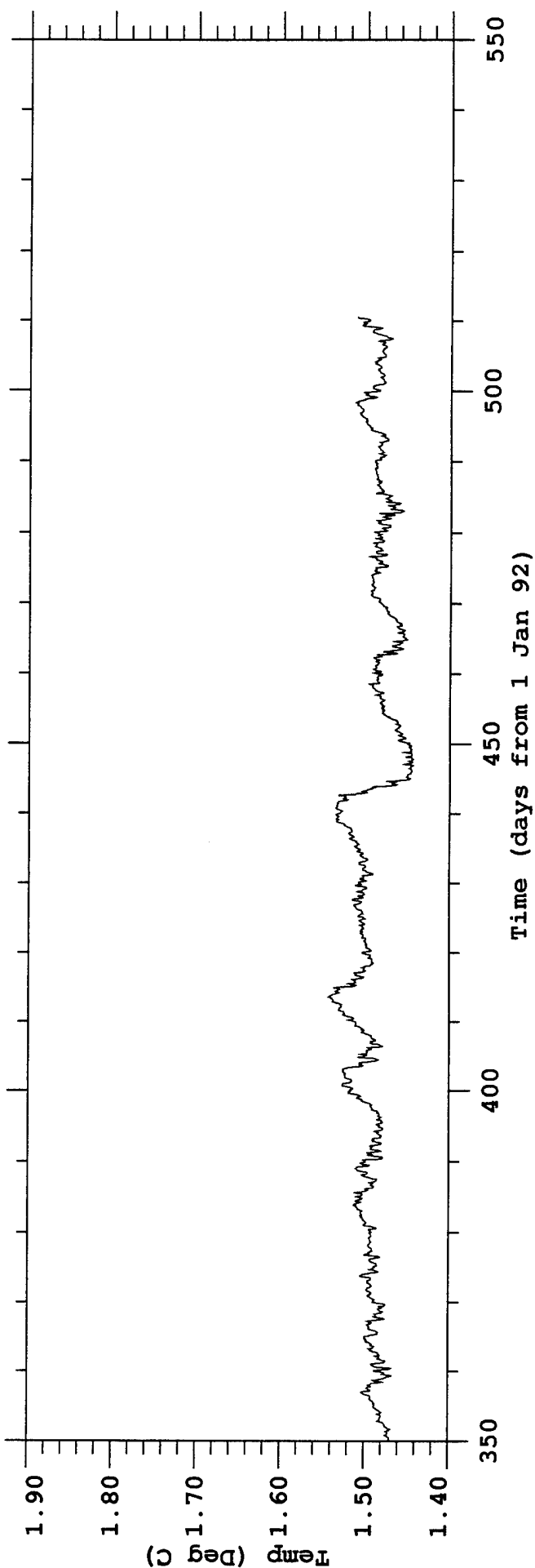
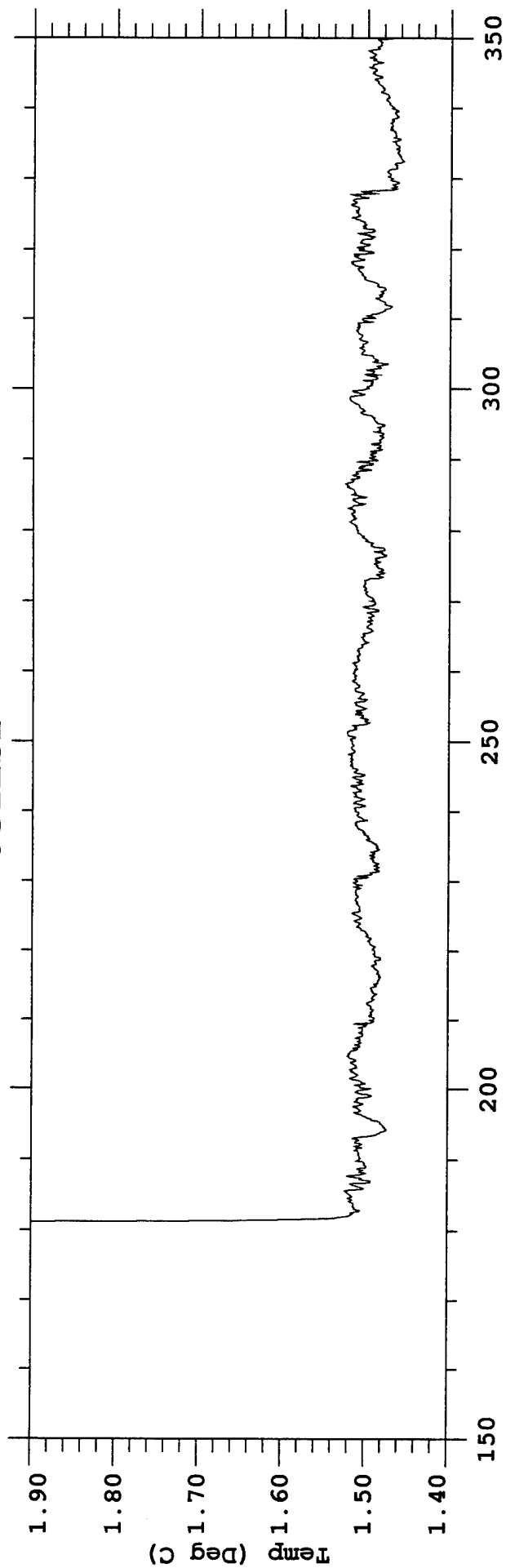
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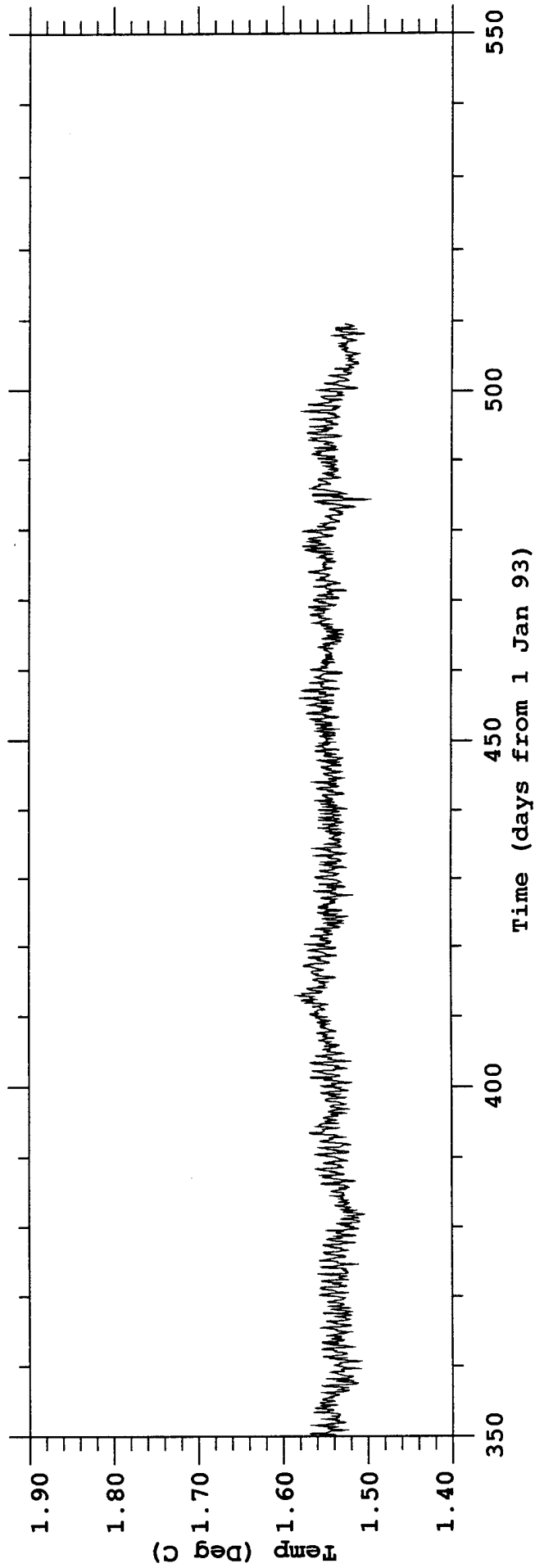
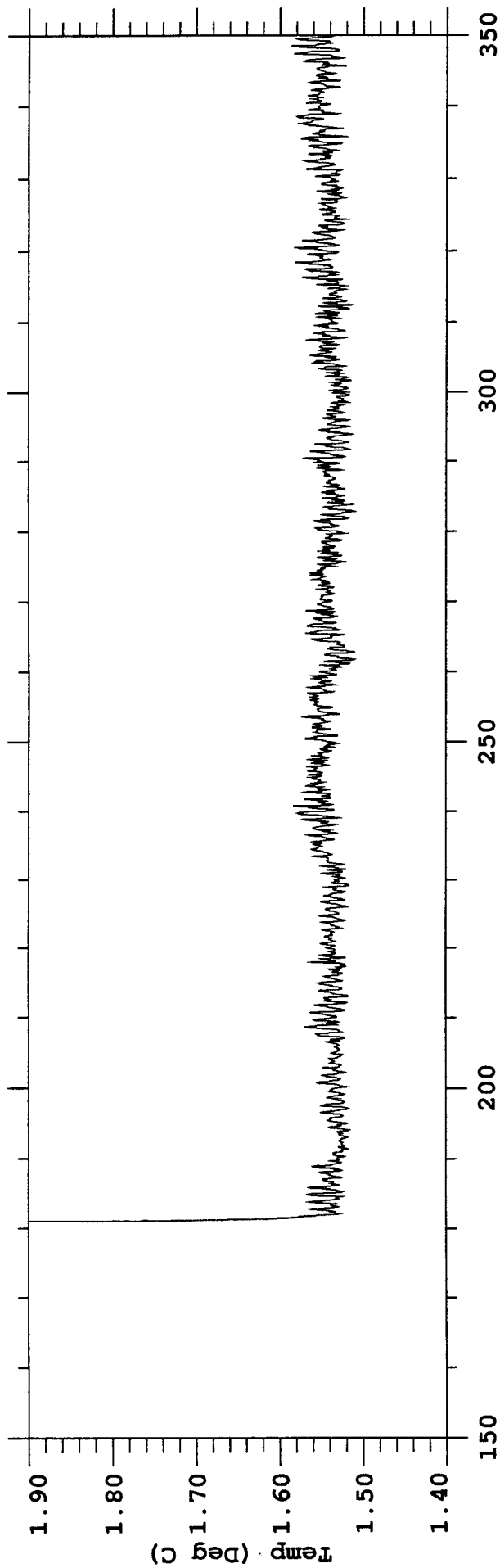
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